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Days dwindling for fight against water transfer ban

By MARY BROWNFIELD

THE PETITION drive to overturn the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District's ban on water credit transfers is not over yet, according to Save Our Water member Kathy Eckerson. An 11th-hour reread of district rules on how long people have to protest a new law gives the group until Monday to gather more than 3,600 valid signatures, she said.

"Our plan is to turn in everything we have as of the end of the day Friday [March 29] before the water dis-

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Climbing lane relief predicted in three weeks

By PAUL MILLER

FINAL PAVING and landscaping along a widened portion of Highway 1 through Carmel is set to begin Monday, with completion of the long-awaited second northbound lane from Carmel Valley Road to Morse Drive scheduled for the fourth week of April, according to deputy public works director Nick Nichols.

"The contractor will resume 24-hour-a-day work next week," Nichols said. "The major work has been finished, and

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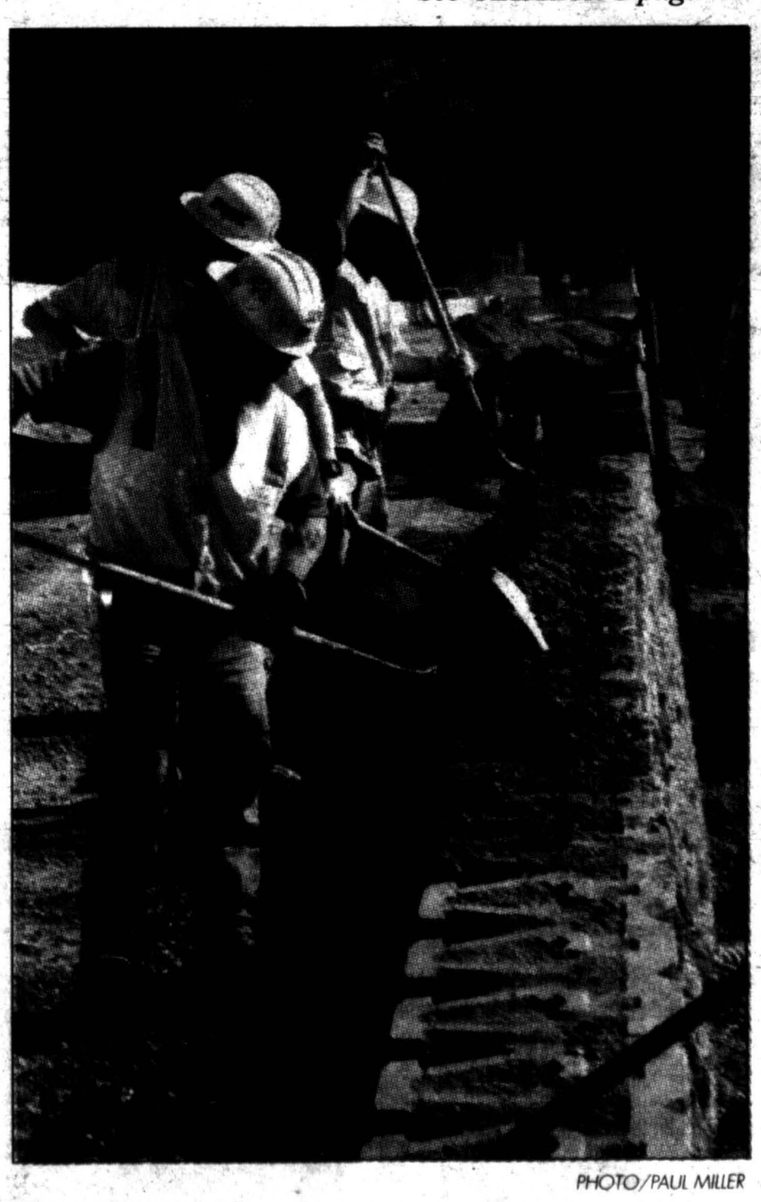

PHOTO/PAUL MILLER

Workers put the finishing touches this week on a large retaining wall alongside Highway 1. Monday, they'll start paving the new climbing lane, which is set to open in three weeks.

Campaign heats up as election nears

By TAMARA GRIPPI

ACCUSATIONS OF misleading campaign tactics and deliberate spreading of misinformation were leveled by several candidates at the final election forum before the city selects a mayor and two council members April 9.

But when it came to the substance of the debate — on issues such as tree removal and historic preservation — there was a surprising amount of agreement among the candidates.

The evening started off with a bang during council candidate Jim Wright's opening statement when he told the audience he was "steaming" after an endorsement interview with the Monterey County Herald.

"Every time I brought up campaign issues, Hazdovac and Rose responded with misstatements that made it look like I didn't know what I was talking about," said Wright, 69.

In her opening statement, mayoral candidate Barbara Livingston, 73, also carried on with a theme she's used throughout the campaign that "something is seriously wrong at city hall," and accused the incumbents of "stifling input, ignoring citizen volunteers and catering to realtors, developers and speculators."

At one point in the forum, which was moderated by Pine Cone publishers Paul Miller and Kirstie Wilde, former Carmel mayor and council candidate Ken White, 67, and council incumbent Gerard Rose, 55, went back and forth arguing about what exactly White meant when he proposed doubling the money the city spends on marketing.

Then later, Rose and Wright squared off over the California Environmental Quality Act and whether it mentions historic resources.

"Gerard advertised himself as an experienced land use attorney. Historic resources are mentioned under the public resource code," Wright said, citing numbered sections of the code.

Rose countered, "I have practiced in the area of CEQA and although CEQA law refers to maintenance of charm, and regulators like to use that to control historicity, there's no mention of historicity, as such, in the California Environmental Quality Act."

In the face of the criticism leveled at them, the council incumbents argued that they have accomplished plenty during the last two years — including the Local Coastal Program — and deserve the chance to continue their work.

"There is one difference in philosophy between the two sides," said councilwoman Paula Hazdovac, 46. "The present council looks forward and looks for solutions and tries to stay away from negativity, which is a more positive, solution-oriented approach."

Carmel Mayor Sue McCloud, 67, argued that the same team which submitted the Local Coastal Program to the California Coastal Commission in December should be available to follow through and make sure the document gets

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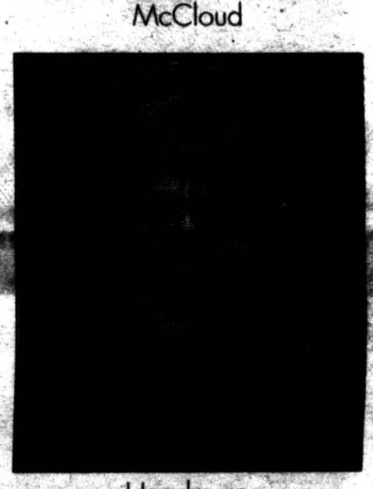
Livingston



Hazdovac

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Rose

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Rose: How Carmel became a union town

By TAMARA GRIPPI

THE UNIONIZATION of Carmel's employees — often pointed to by the council challengers in this campaign as a failing of the current administration — is simply the result of an aggressive recruitment drive on the Peninsula by the AFL-CIO, councilman Gerard Rose argued this week.

At the Pine Cone's election forum March 26, Rose responded to criticism from mayoral candidate Barbara Livingston, who said city workers unionized because "they were not being listened to and were not being understood."

"Shame on you, Barbara, you know better," Rose countered, offering a different explanation for why Carmel is now a union town.

"Do you want to know why they unionized?" he asked. "What happened was a national union was overfunded and the federal government said they either had to refund the money or spend it.

"So they decided to target the Peninsula and offer an incredible benefits package and sign them all up," he added.

Rose said that the employees of several peninsula cities, including Monterey and Seaside have already joined the same union and that Sand City and Pacific Grove workers are about to sign up.

Monterey Assistant City Manager confirmed that two of his city's six employee associations have joined the same union. Seaside's general employees also unionized a year ago, said Iris Fleming with Seaside's personnel office.

However, Sand City employees were approached by the same union and have not decided to join, said city administrator Kelly Morgan.

"By the time [the union] was talking to us we heard about the drawbacks of their very attractive packages that seemed almost too good to be true," he said.

Meanwhile, Kathy Krysna, president of Pacific Grove's general employees, said "there are people in our association who are considering it, but that's as far as it's gone."

Throughout the campaign, the challengers have repeatedly accused the incumbents of allowing relations with city workers to deteriorate to the point where unionization was inevitable.

Last spring, the majority of Carmel's employees voted to join the AFL-CIO, and for the first time, union representatives — instead of city workers — sat at the negotiating table with Carmel City Administrator Rich Guillen.

The city's fire and police employees did not join the union but continue hiring private representatives to assist them in labor negotiations.

Haddads want court to force Monterey's hand on water rights

By MARY BROWNFIELD

Is there a Constitutional right to water?

According to Lou and Martha Haddad, the right to "life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness," includes the right to water. They filed suit last month to force the city of Monterey to pursue a water supply they claim belongs to it under a 150-year-old treaty. The suit marks the latest in the Haddads' three-year battle with Monterey over "pueblo water rights."

Judge Richard Silver is scheduled to hear the lawsuit in Monterey County Superior Court April 12.

According to the complaint, an 1848 treaty signed by Mexico ceded California to the United States on the condition that landowners' rights under Mexican rule be protected. Accordingly, the water rights belonging to the Pueblo of Monterey — now the City of Monterey — are still in effect, according to the Haddads.

Their petition claims the city's refusal to pursue those rights has resulted in their suffering "economical harm, [loss of] enjoyment of their property, inconvenience, and discomfort, in violation of their Constitutional rights to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness."

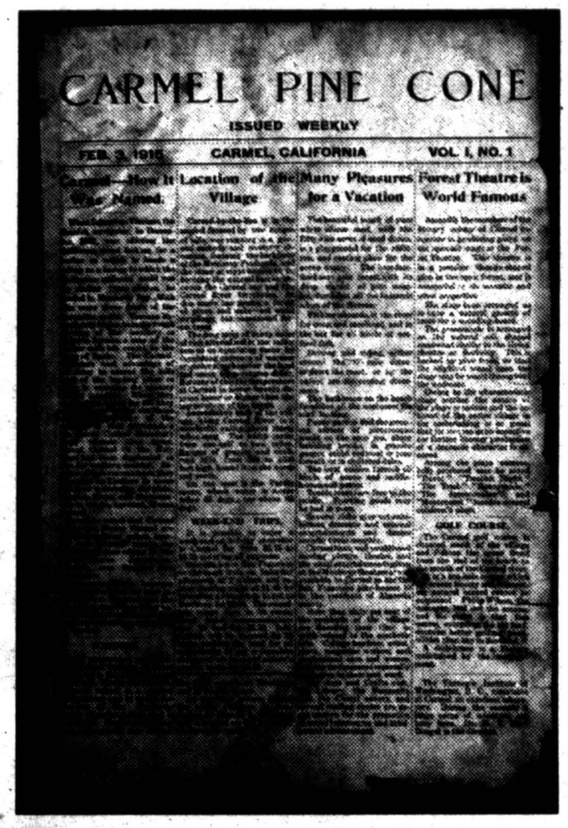
Furthermore, according to the petition, the city acted illegally when it wouldn't let the Haddads contribute anything to the city's newsletter and changed a policy that allowed the public to request reconsideration of council actions. The council also failed to protect the Haddads' Constitutional right "to be free from water rationing threats, the threats of higher costs for water, and the right to enjoy an aesthetic residential landscaping."

Last November, the Monterey City Council discussed pursuing pueblo water rights but voted against doing so, citing concerns about the costs and the effects on neighboring cities, according to the lawsuit. Haddad said he addressed those issues, but "their minds were made up."

The Haddads argued they have exhausted all options with the city and that their last resort is the court system.

"Judicial intervention is warranted when a public entity adopts a decision that is shown to be arbitrary, capricious, contrary to public policy, or procedurally unfair," they wrote in the complaint.

The Haddads requested the court order the city to exercise its pueblo water rights and pay for the costs of the suit.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The group is also seeking other artifacts and mementos of The Pine Cone's early days.

Perhaps you have your old Pine Cone paper delivery pouch. Or what about some of those Carmel Bach Festival special sections, printed on heavy paper with woodblock prints on the covers?

And don't overlook the issues chronicling the administration of Mayor Clint Eastwood.

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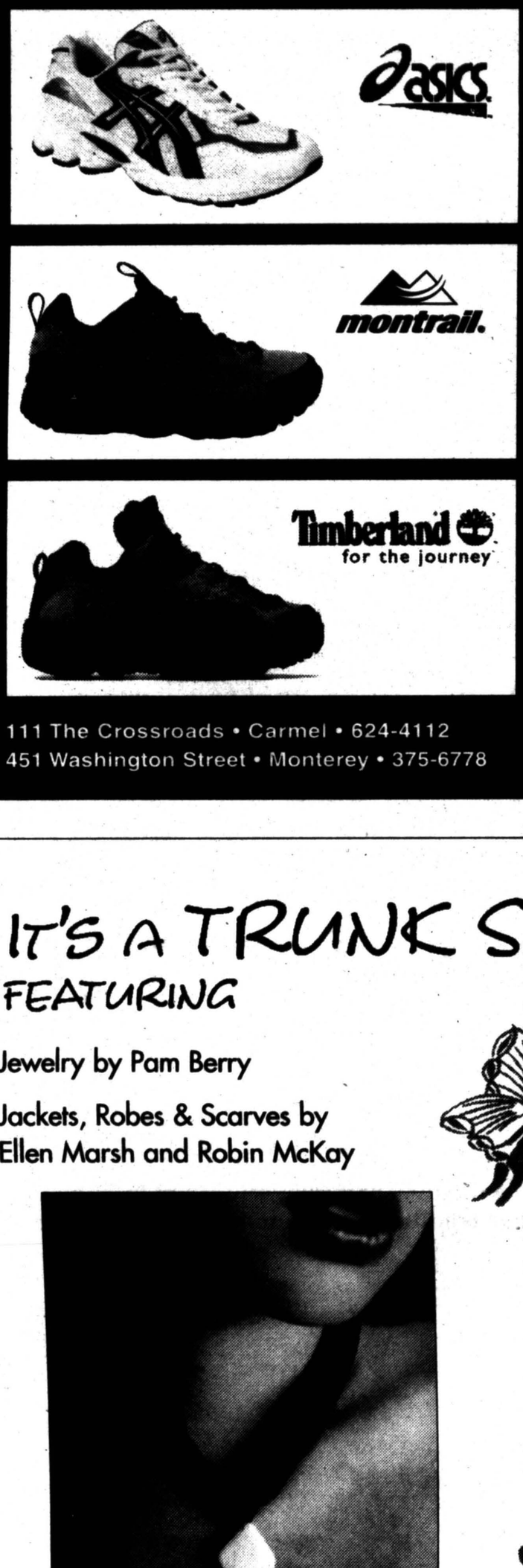

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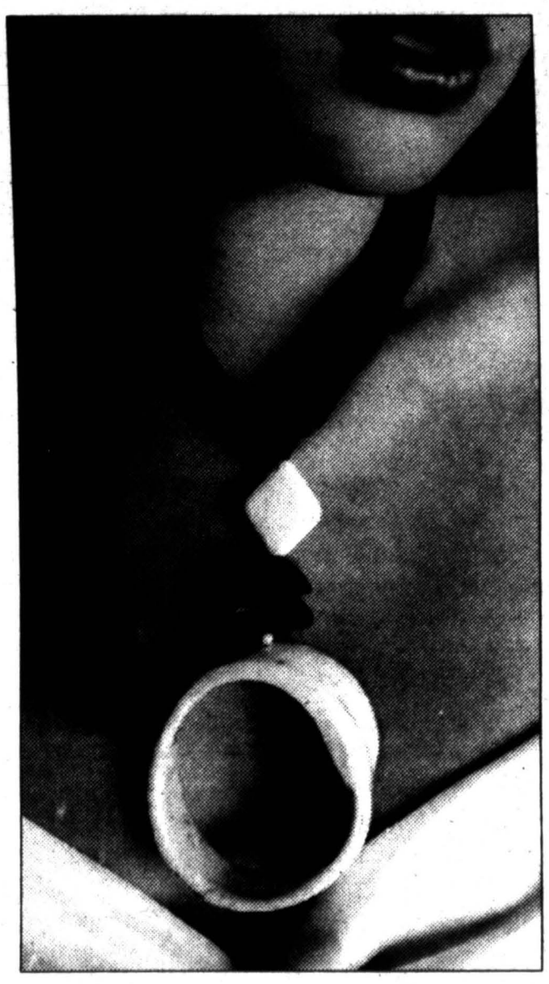

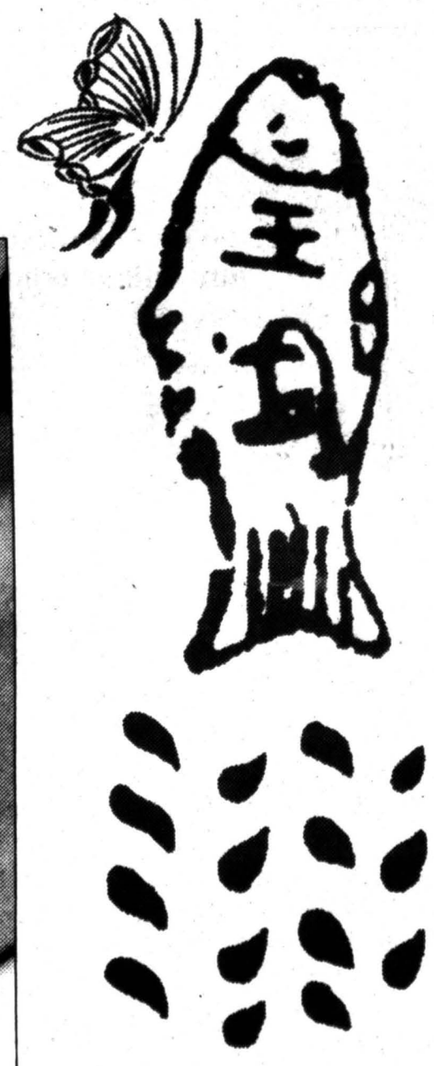

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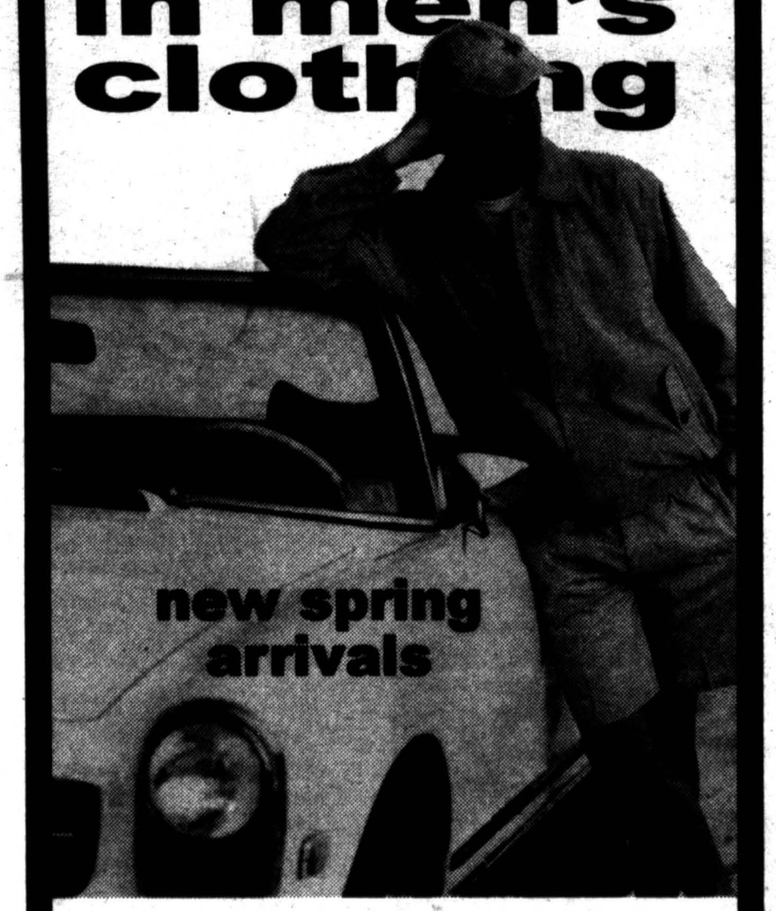

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Campaign funds top $80,000

By TAMARA GRIPPI

WITH ELECTION day in less than two weeks, the money continues to flow in for the mayoral candidates, with Barbara Livingston having raised $20,723 and Sue McCloud $19,647 — numbers that already surpass the war chest each woman acquired during the entire 2000 campaign.

By comparison, council candidates have raised more modest sums: Gerard Rose leads the pack with $12,751, followed by Ken White with $11,384, Paula Hazdovac with $11,048 and Jim Wright with $9,428.

The most recent fundraising report covers donations and expenses from Feb. 24 to March 23.

During that month, Livingston spent $2,562 for radio advertising and $2,953 for print advertising. McCloud spent $5,067 for radio spots and $2,850 on print advertising.

Latest donors

Livingston's biggest donors (all from Carmel, unless otherwise indicated) during the reporting period were William Siebrandt of Pebble Beach, $2,500; Peter Wells, $1,000; Helga Marty of Homewood, $500; Theresa Hallock, $500; Edward Botsford, $400. She also got 19 other donations of $200 or less.

McCloud's biggest contributors included Gary Luce, $495; Patricia Ball of San Jose, $250; Ann Marie Cervelli of San Jose, $250; Lacy Buck, $250; Dan Keig of Carmel Highlands, $300; Marin Crest Line, $300; Mews Line, $300; and six other donors of $100 or less.

Gerard Rose's top donors included the Keyston Family Trust, $500; Laguna Plaza of Seaside, $500; Chris Tescher, $750; Sidney Widrow, $500; Cyril Barbaccia of Los Gatos, $250; and six other donors of $100 or less.

Ken White's most generous contributors were Edward Botsford, $400; Kristie Walker, $200; Elisabeth Ungaretti, $200; and 12 other donors of $100 or less.

Paula Hazdovac's highest donors include: Small Business Consultants, $300; Mike Allen, $200; Cyril Barbaccia of Los Gatos, $250; and four donors of $100 or less.

Jim Wright's top contributors were Edward Botsford, $400; Mike Brown, $200; Kristie Walker, $200, Elisabeth Ungaretti, $200; and 14 donors of $100 or less.

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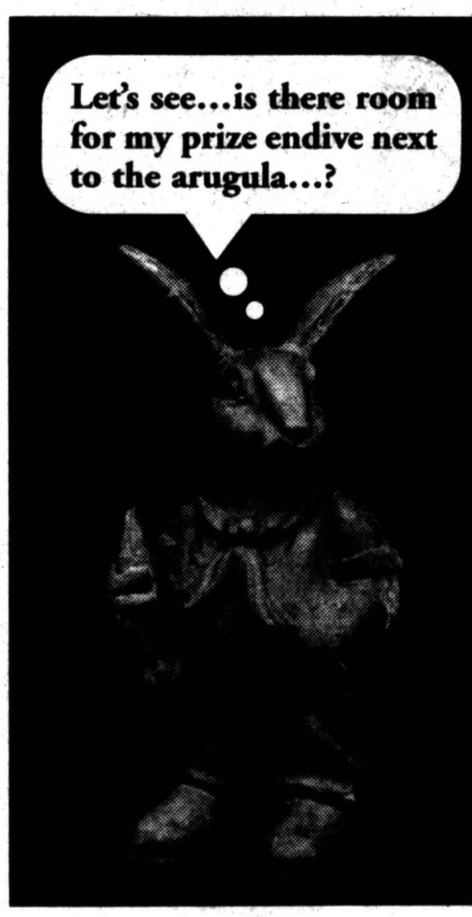

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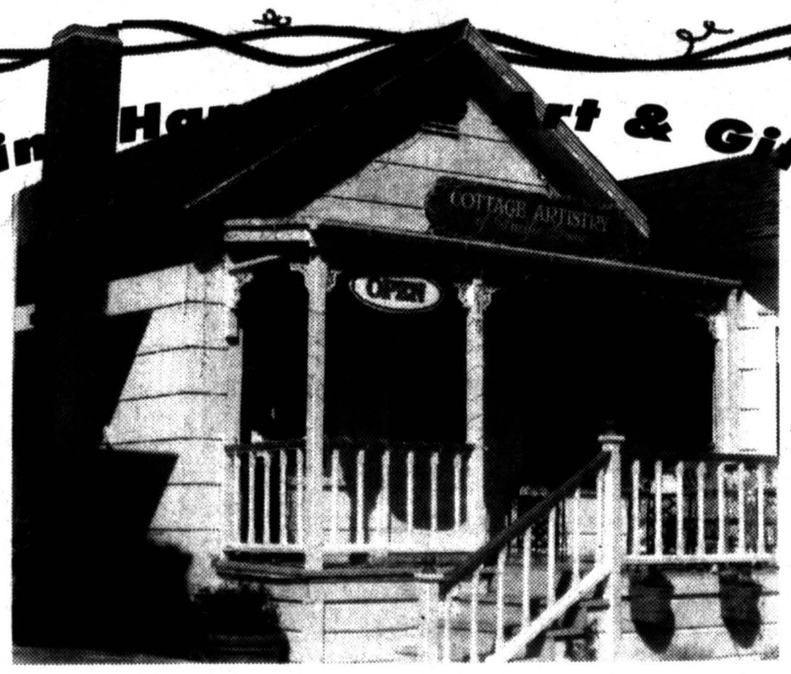

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This Council:

1. **Approved a comprehensive Design Traditions ordinance, providing guidelines for residential construction that reduce bulk and mass and encourage diversity.**
2. **Preserved truly historic and architecturally significant properties through the historic preservation plan and the General Plan element**
3. **Broke ground for the long-planned renovation of the Sunset center, which is the City's largest deferred maintenance project. This Council secured bond financing at favorable rates to allow construction to start. Also, many private donations came through the Campaign for Sunset Committee.**
4. **Submitted for Coastal Commission certification a Local Coastal Plan, which will restore to Carmel-by-the-Sea its jurisdiction over land use within the Village.**
5. **Resolved the mail delivery issue by providing private service to those in need, while retaining the community character of no home mailboxes or house numbers.**
6. **Initiated a three-year base for budget planning and a five-year capital improvement plan to improve fiscal control.**
7. **Began televising City Council meetings to increase communication and resident participation in the issues. Council also established and is maintaining a City website.**
8. **Took the first steps to develop a business plan for the Sunset Center, Forest Theater, and Scout House.**
9. **Adopted commercial design guidelines for the protection of the business district and to maintain its unique character.**

Carmel IS Carmel, and the best way to keep our village traditions and community spirit is to reelect incumbents McCloud, Hazdovac and Rose. They are consensus-builders, democratic and fair in deliberations, and reflect the reasonable and realistic approach favored by most residents. They honor the spirit and traditions of Carmel-by-the-Sea by respecting property rights, resident, business and visitor contributions to its life, and maintenance of our quality of life.

The undersigned persons thank and congratulate this City Council for its hard work and urge reelection of incumbents **Mayor Sue McCloud** and **Council Members Paula Hazdovac** and **Gerard Rose** to continue their invaluable service.

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Police & Sheriff's Log

What not to do in front of cop radar: Speed up

HERE'S A look at some of the significant calls logged by the Carmel-by-the-Sea Police Department and the Monterey County Sheriff's Department last week.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Monte Verde resident reported a raw egg was thrown against the left rear quarter panel of his Jeep. No permanent damage.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Woman reported a subject went to her residence in violation of a restraining order. Suspect denied contacting her in any manner.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report of a citizen who wandered away from her residence. She was located and returned.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Twelfth Avenue residents reported unknown persons trespassed onto their property and took a red, white and blue election sign. No suspects.

MONDAY, MARCH 18

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Subject contacted for petty theft/shoplifting from a San Carlos market.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report of an 80-year-old missing person last seen in the business area of San Carlos and Ocean.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Casanova resident reported three political red, white and blue campaign signs were removed from his picket fence where they had been attached for display. The signs were torn in two pieces and left on the ground near the fence. No suspects.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report of grand theft from a vehicle parked at Scenic and 10th. A key/slip device was used to open the vehicle door and $680 in currency and miscellaneous items stolen.

TUESDAY, MARCH 19

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report of a domestic dispute at San Carlos and Fourth involving the owners of a Capitola restaurant.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Police and fire assistance requested for a Mission resident who had fallen; forced entry was required. Side window pried open with no damage. Resident transported to CHOMP.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Assist in locating a citizen's green Toyota Tercel last believed to be parked in the area of Lincoln and Eighth. Vehicle left parked in the area after the driver was taken to a medical facility for medical attention. Vehicle located at Monte Verde and Ninth and owner notified.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Carpenter resident reported she hired and later terminated a temporary live-in caretaker. Subject began as a good employee but later became irresponsible and incompetent. Since the date of termination on 12/12/01, resident has received various hangup calls and suspected the subject was responsible for this but did not report it until now. She requested the suspect be contacted.

Big Sur: Carpenteria resident staying overnight at Lucia Lodge discovered a fire in the room next to his. Big Sur Fire responded and put out the fire. The fire started as the result of materials left on a stove that turned on automatically as the room temperature dropped. There was minor damage to the room.

Carmel Valley: Woman reported one of the students at Carmel Valley High School used obscene language during an argument.

Carmel Valley: Woman reported being subjected to sexual harassment at her work place.

Carmel Valley: Woman reported having a problem with a man on her mail route at Princess Camp.

Carmel Valley: Woman requested assistance serving a room at a Carmel Valley Road address to see if everything was OK with the tenant.

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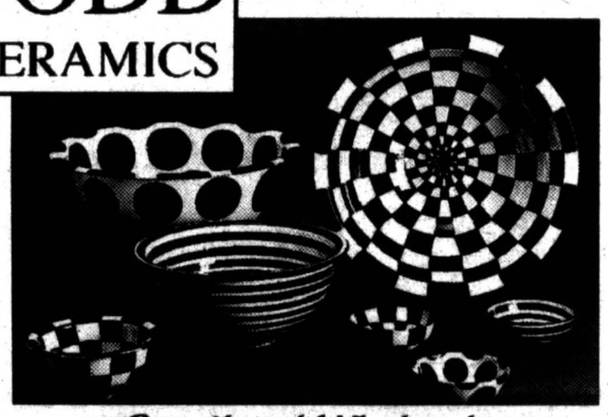

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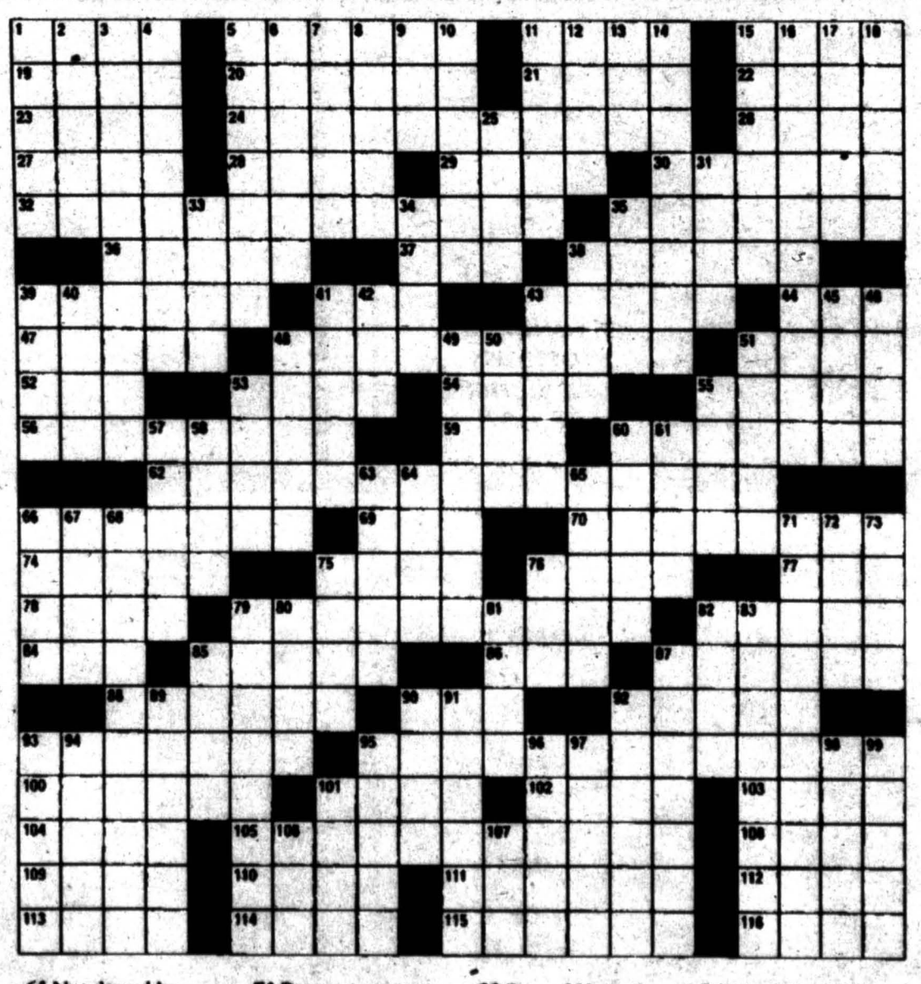

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Carmel woman sentenced on elder financial abuse charges

■ *Civil matter unresolved*

By MARY BROWNFIELD

CARMEL RESIDENT Joanna Pfeister — who pleaded no contest to misdemeanor elder financial abuse charges last December — appeared in front of Monterey County Superior Court Judge Richard Silver March 21 for sentencing and to hear complaints that she violated an order to stay away from the victim, 81-year-old Richard Robinson.

The two misdemeanor counts stemmed from a complex series of financial transactions that ended with Robinson living in a Carmel condo owned by Pfeister, but with Pfeister in possession of more than $350,000 of Robinson's money and the title to his Aptos home as well.

Deputy district attorney Joe Buckalew asked Judge Silver to impose 180 days of jail time on Pfeister to help protect Robinson and other potential victims from "vindictive, evil conduct," adding that Pfeister "began to manipulate Mr. Robinson again and sought to divest his inheritance" the very same day she handed over more than $393,000 in restitution for her crimes.

Defense attorney Larry Biegel said Pfeister's clean record should earn her some leniency.

"I don't think all of a sudden a person went from being caring to abusive," he said.

The judge ordered Pfeister to serve three years misdemeanor probation, suspending a sentence of two years' jail time unless Pfeister violates the law.

Probation terms also dictate Pfeister cannot move out of Monterey County (although she can travel for up to 30 days at a time, and longer with permission from probation), must pay $2,000 more in restitution fines, agree to search and seizure at the probation department's request, undertake 300 hours of community service in the next 18 months, stay away from Robinson, can have no financial dealings with people over the age of 65 or any other person of any age who is not mentally competent, and must pay the costs of probation.

'It's clear, Ms. Pfeister, that there can be no contact with Mr. Robinson. If you initiate any contact and that's established, then you face substantial consequences.'

— Judge Richard Silver

Pfeister still faces a civil suit filed by Robinson's family, and a separate suit from the management company of the Mission Street condominium complex where she and Robinson both lived.

Since the civil matters against Pfeister have yet to be resolved, Judge Silver also ordered $300,000 in Pfeister's assets be frozen

Biegel argued against the conditions regarding searches and freezing the assets, but Judge Silver maintained his position.

Violation of order

Silver also heard arguments regarding Pfeister's violation of a restraining order barring her from associating with Robinson. Attorney Sharyn Evers, handling the civil suit, said Pfeister had repeatedly sought out Robinson.

"It doesn't seem to make a difference how many yards there are between them," Evers said, commenting on a stipulation that Pfeister stay 100 yards away from Robinson and his home. "She's going to disregard it no matter what."

But Biegel said no proof of that exists.

"You can say whatever you want, but in a courtroom, especially where criminal justice is being meted out, I don't think you can speculate," he said. He argued it is impossible to maintain a 100-yard distance from someone in Carmel, where most residents head to the post office daily.

Silver tersely warned Pfeister against having any contact with the victim and told Evers a conservator should make sure Robinson — who suffers from short-term memory loss — is not contacting Pfeister.

"It's clear, Ms. Pfeister, that there can be no contact with Mr. Robinson," he said. "If you initiate any contact and that's established, then you face substantial consequences."

On the Robinson family civil matter, Silver ordered Pfeister to pay $3,500 in attorney fees to Evers, along with a penalty of $1,000.

Silver declined to consider other legal issues raised by tenants at the Pine Terrace condo complex.

"That is a separate matter and not the subject of these misdemeanor sentencings," Silver said. "If Pine Terrace wishes to pursue matters through the appropriate legal means of harassment petitions, that's their prerogative."

A settlement conference on the civil case is scheduled for April 19, with a jury trial slated to begin May 20.

BURGLARS STRIKE HOME, JEWELER

By MARY BROWNFIELD

BURGLARS HIT a jewelry store and another Carmel home March 19 and 20, according to Carmel Police Detective Sgt. Terry Chandler, quickly making off with a scant amount of jewelry from both. Alarm systems at Alan Bienenfeld Fine Jewelry Salon on San Carlos and a Lasuen residence summoned the cops and scared the thieves away before much more could be taken.

The Lasuen home was hit March 19 while its owners were out to dinner, according to Chandler. The burglars shattered a rear sliding glass door but only made it into one room before a motion detector activated the alarm.

Despite a quick police response, the thieves escaped with about $500 in jewelry, according to Chandler.

The following morning around 5:30, officers responded to an alarm at the jewelry store and found the rear door pried open and a nearby glass case smashed.

"They have a display case inside the door on a stand, and they just smashed through it and grabbed what they could," the detective said.

Officers found one piece of jewelry lying near the back door and a ring on the floor of the underground garage on the corner, according to Chandler. "They probably ran down that way and out the other exit on Seventh."

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Bagel Bakery gets to keep Carmel Rancho home

By PAUL MILLER

AFTER TELLING the bakers to pack up their ovens and make way for a Starbucks, the manager of the Carmel Rancho shopping center abruptly changed her mind last week and offered the Bagel Bakery a new five-year lease.

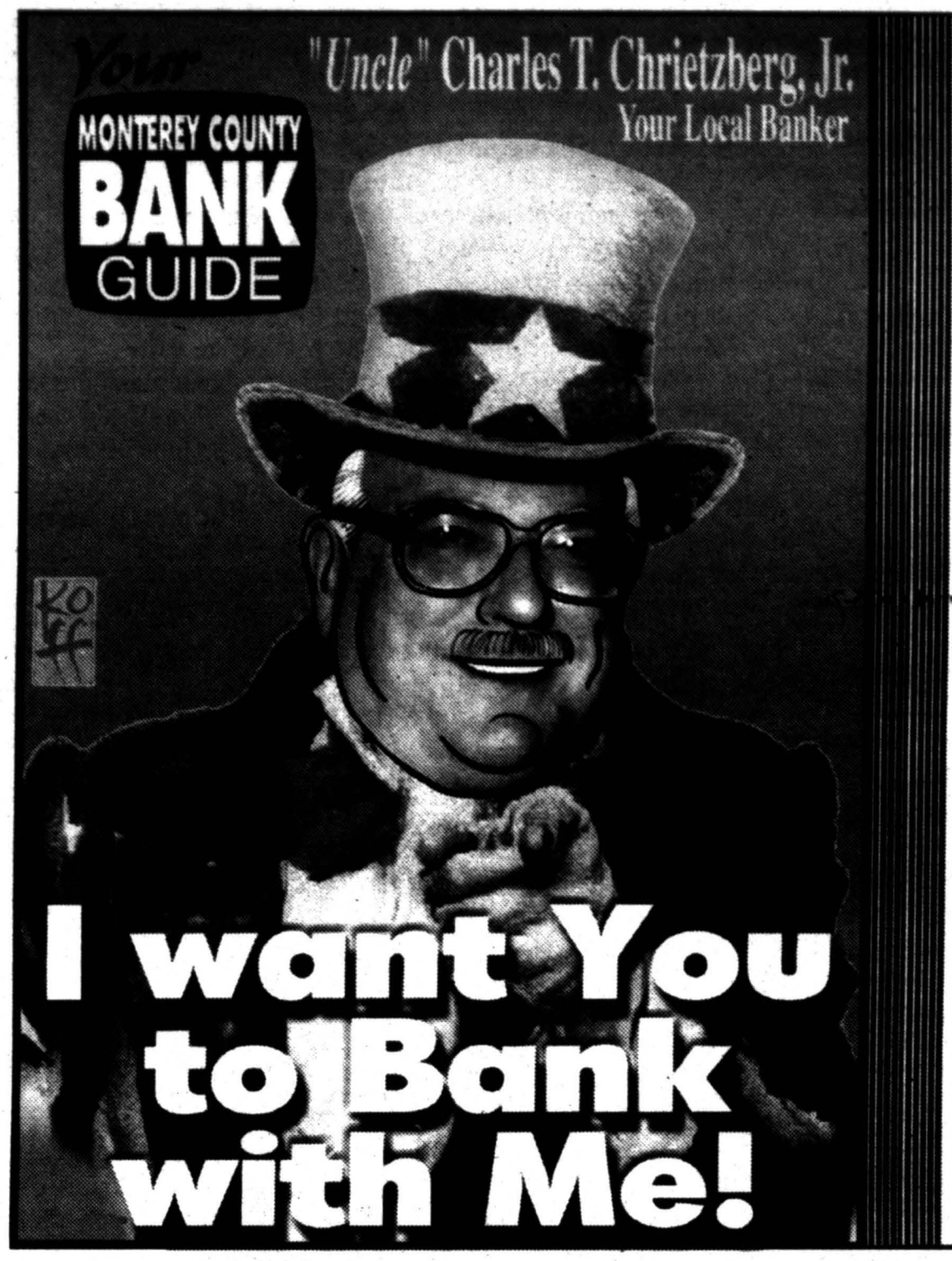
"We got the lease because of the media coverage, because of a lot of community support, and also because of me coming back into the company," said River Gurtin, founder of the Bagel Bakery. He sold the successful company to a Southern California investor in 1999 but recently returned as general manager.

According to Gurtin, the lease hasn't been signed yet, but he's reached agreement on its terms with Katherine Bucquet, who manages the Carmel Rancho center on behalf of a trust.

"Local businesses for local people — that's always been our policy," Bucquet said. "Actually, I was greatly relieved when River came back and we were able to make a deal."

Last week, Gurtin told The Pine Cone that the Carmel Rancho Bagel Bakery, which has sold several hundred thousand bagels each year for a decade from a shop near Albertson's supermarket at the mouth of Carmel Valley, would close by April 30. According to Gurtin, Bucquet planned to rent the space to Starbucks, the Seattle-based coffee giant. He said he had not found a new location for his bagel store, largely because there was no suitable space that had enough water. The water permit moratorium and the recent ban of all water transfers make it practically impossible to convert a retail store to a food store, Gurtin said, raising the possibility that the Bagel Bakery would close permanently.

"I got a number of phone calls from people in the community," Bucquet said. "They were all very nice, and they expressed an interest in keeping the Bagel Bakery there. I've been a member of this community for 55 years and it's important to me to keep that community spirit."



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Carmel's bear tragedy spurs statewide awareness campaign

By MARY BROWNFIELD

A WAYWARD black bear's trip into downtown Carmel last spring ended in tragedy when it was shot with a tranquilizer dart and fell to its death from a 70-foot tree, but the entire state will benefit from the tough lessons learned, according to the California Department of Fish and Game.

Officials are set to begin a "bear awareness campaign" comprising a packet of information to be distributed to law enforcement agencies and media outlets. Officials have been using Carmel's incident as an example of what can go wrong when a wild animal — be it a bear, mountain lion or whatever — ends up in a city.

Fish and game's core policies remain unchanged, according to senior wildlife biologist Doug Updike, but training and educating people to deal with wildlife is new.

"If it's a bear that hasn't gotten into conflicts with people and is not considered a public safety threat — then our policy says the bear should be taken out of the confusion in the city and escorted into bear habitat and released," Updike said. "That's what it said

*See **BEARS** page 23A*

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The death of this black bear in Carmel last spring inspired state game officials to educate the public and law enforcement on how to deal with unexpected wild animals in cities.

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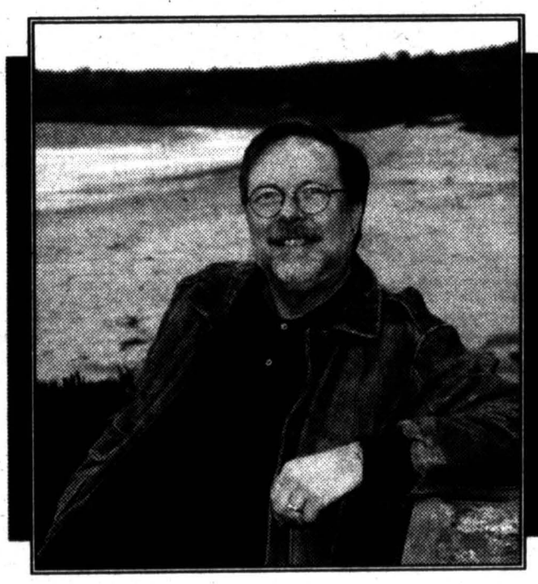

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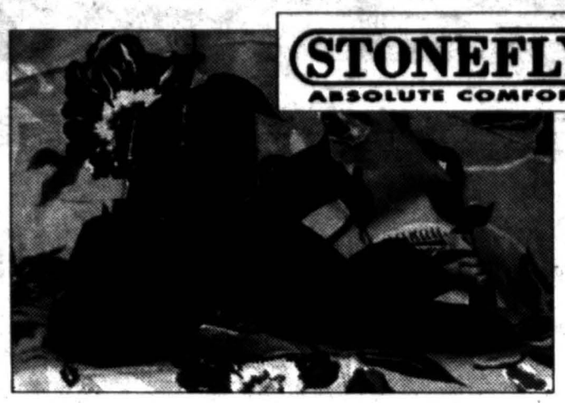

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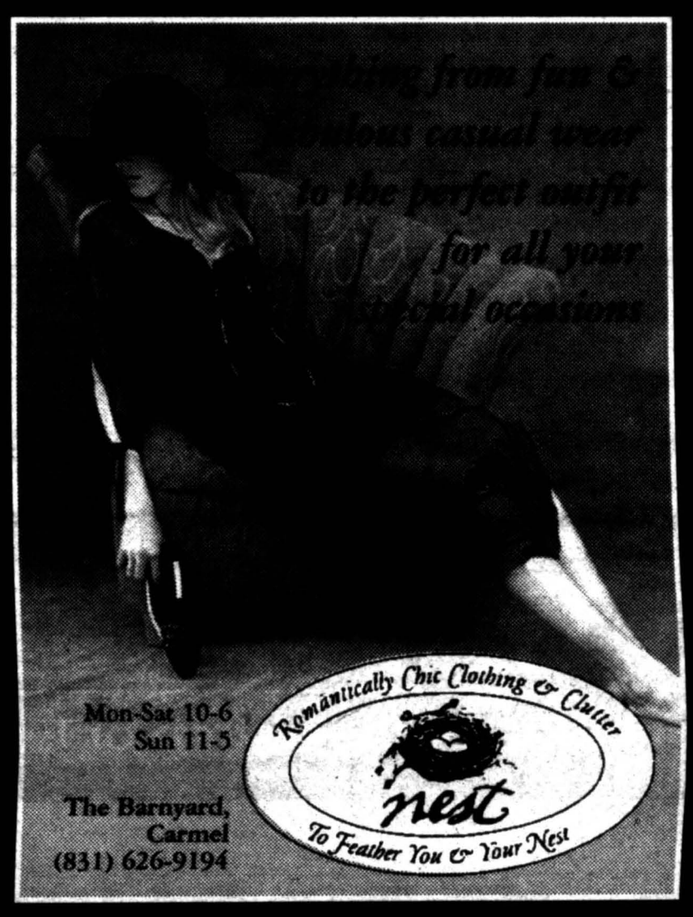

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Human rights lawyer takes helm of C.V. Property Owners Association

By MARY BROWNFIELD

HE HAS been a Peace Corps director, at one time made up the entire legal staff of the U.S. Equal Opportunity Employment Commission, wrote human rights and civil rights laws, and had a major hand in bringing about reform of Los Angeles' billion dollar educational system. And now John Dalessio, a self-described social and environmental activist, can add his role as Carmel Valley Property Owners Association president to his résumé.

His number one priority? Preservation.

"This is an absolutely critical time for Carmel Valley," said Dalessio, a Carmel Valley resident for eight years. "We're at a crossroads where what we have here — this rural atmosphere and natural beauty — is either going to be preserved or developers are going to turn this into just another place."

Elected by a majority of the CVPOA's 750-plus members, Dalessio said he hopes to use his coalition-building skills for the benefit of an area often overlooked by the county board of supervisors.

"Sometimes we wonder if they could care less," he said, though he understands the board must look at the larger countywide picture. But special areas, such as Elkhorn Slough, Big Sur and Carmel Valley, require careful consideration.

"They're easy to destroy, and once destroyed, they're gone," he said, adding that a key to preservation may lie in building relationships with other non-government groups so each is not left fighting its own battles with the county.

While the issues might be different, "that doesn't mean there aren't people in both areas who have expertise that can be used in the other area," he said. "We're just not functioning the way I think we can and should."

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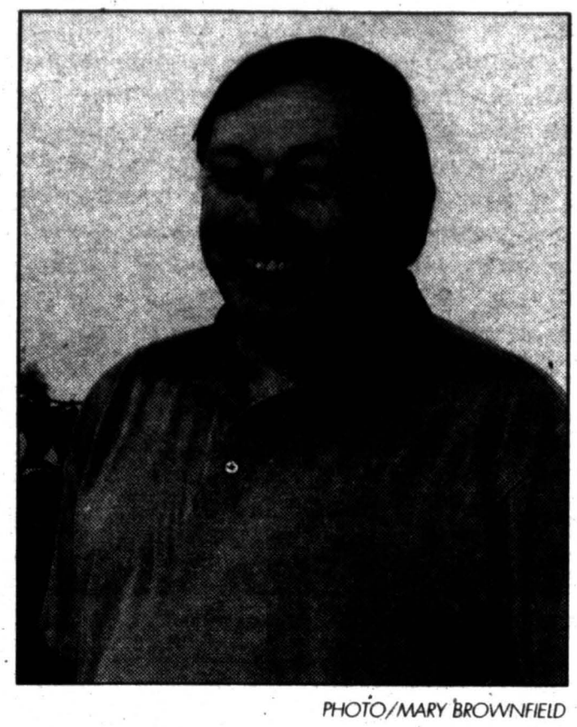
During the coming year, the CVPOA will also work toward getting the Carmel Valley Area Plan portion of the county's 2002 General Plan Update passed, according to Dalessio. He also thinks cityhood may best for the valley.

"I think that almost always, government that's close to home is better government," he said, adding that the CVPOA board has yet to take a formal stance on whether Carmel Valley should become a town. "I expect we'll take a position on it. I would hope we would — that's something we should talk about."

The CVPOA helped fund an initial financial study last summer that concluded Carmel Valley could afford to incorporate, but has since stepped back from the issue, according to Dalessio. A steering committee of residents and business people is currently mulling the idea over, and if it decides to pursue cityhood, a formal pro-incorporation group will be created and a petition drive initiated.

Despite his emphasis on preservation, Dalessio pondered the valley's ability to help with some of the larger issues plaguing the county, including lack of affordable housing.

"I'd like to look at that, but you know what a tough call that is — there are [only] so many lots available — and frankly, people can make so much more money by building for the rich than they can for the poor," he said. County programs could change that equation, "but I don't anticipate any kind of serious money coming out of Washington, and that's where the money is."



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John Dalessio.

In the meantime, Dalessio said years of experience fuel his optimism regarding the CVPOA's ability to reach out.

"I was dealing with much greater differences and sensitivities between cultures than exist in this country," said Dalessio, age 65. "I have spent most of my life doing this stuff."

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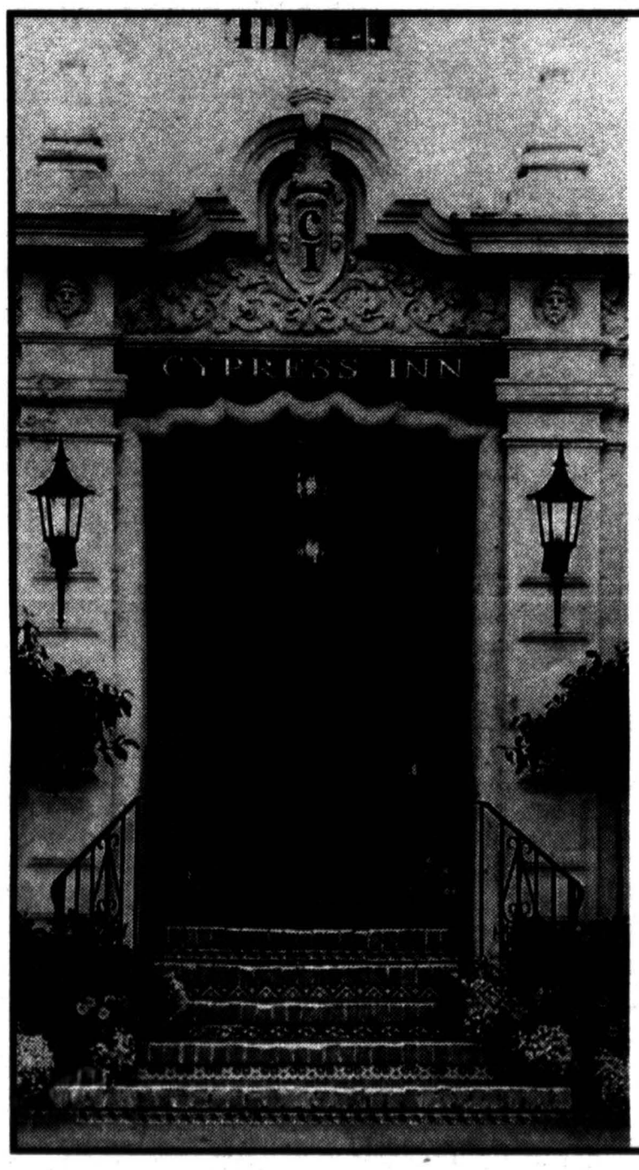

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New rule could buy time for city permit holders

By MARY BROWNFIELD

PEOPLE HOLDING permits for building projects approved under old design guidelines may get a break if the Carmel Planning Commission and the city council vote to amend the city's rules on time limits for those permits.

Current city law allows the planning commission to grant extensions for approved projects — giving applicants more time to get whatever other permits they need — so long as the plans meet current city codes.

But for projects that require a coastal development permit, the new ordinance would allow the commission to, "without a public hearing, grant one time extension equal in length to the original time limit regardless of changes in the General Plan or Municipal Code," according to a draft of the ordinance.

Senior planner Chip Rerig said he drafted the proposed ordinance at the request of city administrator Rich Guillen. (Guillen was out of town and not available for comment.)

"The big concern now is that projects approved under an old set of standards currently need to meet those new standards [when a time extension is granted]," Rerig said, because rules on height, setback and volume changed when the Design Traditions Project was adopted. "If this ordinance change is passed, they wouldn't be required to meet the revised dimensional standards."

The new rule would probably affect fewer than a dozen applicants, according to Rerig — three whose time limits have already expired and another four or five whose permits are set to expire within the next six months.

The ordinance would sunset as soon as the California Coastal Commission, which currently rules on coastal development permits for Carmel projects, certifies the city's Local Coastal Program and returns permit authority to the city.

Once that happens, the applicants could receive their coastal development permit and other permits while retaining the designs approved under the old code, according to Rerig.

"If they could get a time extension," Rerig said, "obviously they could avoid ever going to the California Coastal Commission, theoretically."

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all that's left is installation of guardrails, landscaping, paving and striping."

Supervisor Dave Potter, one of the principal sponsors of the climbing lane project, said it will alleviate much of the traffic congestion that has plagued Highway 1 and Carmel Valley Road for decades.

But supporters of the Hatton Canyon freeway are just as adamant that the climbing lane will provide minimal traffic improvements and could be unsafe. Their attorney, Christine Gianascol, said this week that her clients, Citizens for Hatton Canyon, would continue their efforts to keep the proposed Hatton Canyon freeway alive by blocking the sale of the canyon to the state parks department.

Their suit, seeking to overturn legislation requiring the sale of the canyon at the bargain price of less than $1 million, was thrown out last week by Monterey County Superior Court Judge Michael Fields. He rejected the freeway proponents' argument that the California Constitution, in order to protect gas tax revenues from being diverted to other purposes, doesn't allow sales of highway rights of way at less than fair market value.

"We disagree with the judge's ruling," Gianascol said. "If the legislation [requiring the sale of Hatton Canyon] is upheld, it will defeat the purpose of having a constitution."

Assemblyman Fred Keeley, in an effort to make sure the freeway could never be built, sponsored the legislation requiring Caltrans to sell Hatton Canyon. He said Caltrans has already signed the deed transferring the property to state parks. As soon as the money is transferred, the deed will be recorded, Keeley said.

"By moving that land into the state parks system, we can ensure public enjoyment of it," Keeley said. "At the same time, we're making substantial progress on solving the traffic problems that the people in Carmel have been stuck with."

Nichols said careful analysis of traffic patterns and signal timing would be done once the new northbound lane is opened to make sure that traffic moves as freely as possible out of Carmel Valley and Big Sur.

"It may take awhile to get everything just right," he said.

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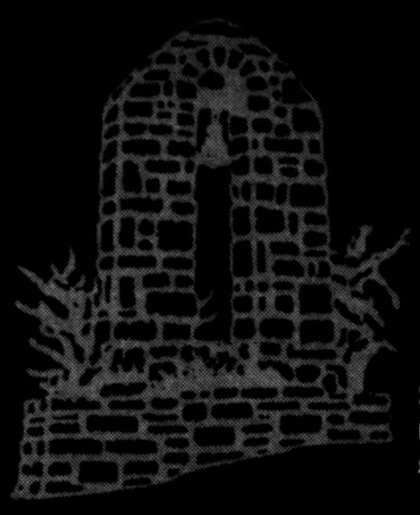

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by Demi Briscoe

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4/18	Anti-Aging Seminar, Skin Institute of Pebble Beach, 622-6480
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A flood in Big Sur got them to Ground Zero

By ANNE PAPINEAU

AT LAST Diana Case is able to cry.

A psychologist, she's trained to share life's tough times. But even her professional background and certification as a Red Cross counselor could only delay the emotional shock of the trauma she witnessed in post 9/11 New York City.

Like snapshots in an album, Case recalls the stories of individuals and families she assisted. She's grateful to have her own support network in the form of husband River Gurtin, who received his Red Cross certification just in time to join her and also help victims of Sept. 11th. The couple were among the dozens of volunteers from the Carmel-by-the-Sea Chapter of the American Red Cross who helped and continue to help in the wake of that disaster.

"As we sat at the kitchen table, assessing their financial situation, the little girl would climb up on her lap with tissues and say, 'Don't cry, mommy. Don't cry, mommy.'"

— Diana Case

"I feel I dealt well with going. So many people lost so much, so fast, it pulls the wind out of you to think about it," she said. "I felt really grounded and stable and able to be there for them."

But the experience has caught up with her.

"Last month River and I were giving a speech at a luncheon in Carmel Valley. River shared his experiences. I started sharing mine. All of a sudden I got choked up and starting crying. With some of the really delicate, tender stories, the tears just welled up."

As brutal as the experience was, both said they'd do it again.

"People opened up their hearts. I was able to connect with dozens and dozens of people in New York City. Those experiences are so special, I wouldn't trade them for anything," she said.

Big Sur floods

It took a flood in Big Sur to bring a local psychologist and her businessman spouse to Ground Zero. The couple were vacationing at Ventana resort in Big Sur when the heavy rains of spring 1998 closed Highway 1 between Carmel and Big Sur.

"I'd fantasized about being stranded at Ventana for years," Gurtin laughed. He owned the Bagel Bakeries for 25 years before retiring two years ago. "The hot tub got cold. Then they kicked us all out. The Red Cross evacuated us in helicopters and received us at Monterey airport. We were really impressed by the people and the organization."

Impressed enough that Diana signed on as a Red Cross mental health counselor. She worked local assignments, but come Sept. 11, she was flown to Dallas where she worked a Red Cross "hotline" designed to help airline personnel.

"We took calls from pilots and flight attendants. I also talked to families of employees, like the wife of a pilot. He was ready to go but his wife and children didn't want him to fly.

"Some of the calls were very emotional. And we also had to make particularly difficult calls to families whose loved ones were missing."

"I got involved after Sept. 11," Gurtin explained. "Diana had been assigned to New York but I was still waiting for my Red Cross certification, because so many people were trying to be certified at the same time. I was ready to go on my own just to help. I was about an hour away from getting on a plane when my certification came through."

Gurtin found himself based in Brooklyn volunteering in the field of "Mass Care," which organized and supplied food and shelter.

"The assignment took me back to my business background. I was working computers and designing computer programs, doing statistics and assigning staff to different sites. It was administrative."

Both typically worked six-day weeks and stayed in a hotel that donated rooms to the Red Cross workers. They recalled how years ago they had stayed at the Marriott located at the World Trade Center.

Case's work took her to Ground Zero and to neighboring boroughs: wherever a counselor's steadying presence was needed.

"There were many social service agencies helping out, and we would make home visits as a team. There would be a mental health person, a health services worker — usually a nurse — and a family assistance person who assessed financial need," Case said.

"There was a young Asian mother whose husband — every morning before work he would ask her if she wanted him to wait for her. This morning he didn't wait for her, he went ahead. As she was walking her toddler to a day care center, they looked up and saw the WTC, and knew that was where daddy worked. The mother was having trouble telling her daughter that daddy wasn't coming back. As we sat at the kitchen table, assessing their financial situation, the little girl would climb up on her lap with tissues and say, 'Don't cry, mommy. Don't cry, mommy.' She was avoiding the day when she had to make it clear to her daughter what happened to her dad."

The husband and wife team of River Gurtin and Diana Case worked in New York City on behalf of the Red Cross post-Sept. 11, each helping in very different ways.

PHOTO/COURTESY RIVER GURTIN

The spirit of volunteering is very much part of this pair. Gurtin serves on the board of the Jewish Food Festival at Temple Beth Israel in Carmel Valley. Case has volunteered for a number of women's organizations, including Planned Parenthood, the YWCA and Rape Crisis Center. She also leads a support group for people with low vision at the Center for the Blind and Visually Impaired in Pacific Grove.

"I was impressed by the dedication of the workers who surrounded me in New York," Gurtin said. "It was so inspiring, the energy and the good nature, the camaraderie of the people from all over the country."

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Alan Richmond sues Carmel over trip-and-fall

By MARY BROWNFIELD

FORMER TV weatherman and well-known peninsula resident Alan Richmond filed suit against the City of Carmel-by-the-Sea and Pacific Gas & Electric in Monterey County Superior Court March 14. He is seeking compensation for injuries he incurred when he fell on the sidewalk near Heather Glen Court last July.

"He tripped on a PG&E meter box that has a lid that was open to some extent," explained Richmond's attorney, Craig Needham. Normally the lid would be flush with the sidewalk, and the company "repaired it either that same day or the day after," he said.

Although he would not elaborate on the injuries Richmond sustained when he fell, Needham said, "He has serious personal injuries."

The city and the utility company should be held responsible because they knew the meter box — located on the west side of Mission Street north of Eighth Avenue — was defective prior to Richmond's July 25, 2001 fall, but did nothing to fix the problem, according to the complaint.

Richmond also alleged the sidewalk and meter box violated the Uniform Building Code and were repaired without obtaining the appropriate building permits.

"As a proximate result of the violation of said building code sections and failure to obtain building permits, a dangerous and defective condition was created which proximately contributed to plaintiffs' injuries," the complaint reads.

Furthermore, the city maintained "a dangerous condition of public property" by allowing the meter box "to deteriorate upon the premises where the public will foreseeably traverse."

Carmel was also negligent in creating the defective condition and failing to protect people from injury "so as to expose the general public, and in particular plaintiff, Alan Richmond, to the unreasonable risk of trip and fall on said premises," according to the suit.

As a result of the fall, Richmond "was injured in his health, strength and activity, sustaining injuries to his body and shock and injury to his nervous system, all of which have caused and continue to cause plaintiff great mental, physical and nervous pain," according to the complaint.

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TV personality Alan Richmond, pictured with his wife, Carol, has sued Carmel for injuries he sustained when he tripped on the lid of a PG&E meter box.

Richmond, who owns a production company specializing in advertising and public relations, has spent 30 years in radio and television, including a stint as the weather anchor and community relations director for KION NewsChannel 46. Prior to that, he was program director and community relations director for KWAV radio.

Richmond is seeking compensation for medical and incidental expenses, general damages, loss of earning capacity, mental and emotional distress, interest, the costs of the suit and any other relief deemed proper by the court.

"The complaint was just filed and is out to be served — it's just in its very infant stages," Needham said. "We're going to investigate thoroughly."

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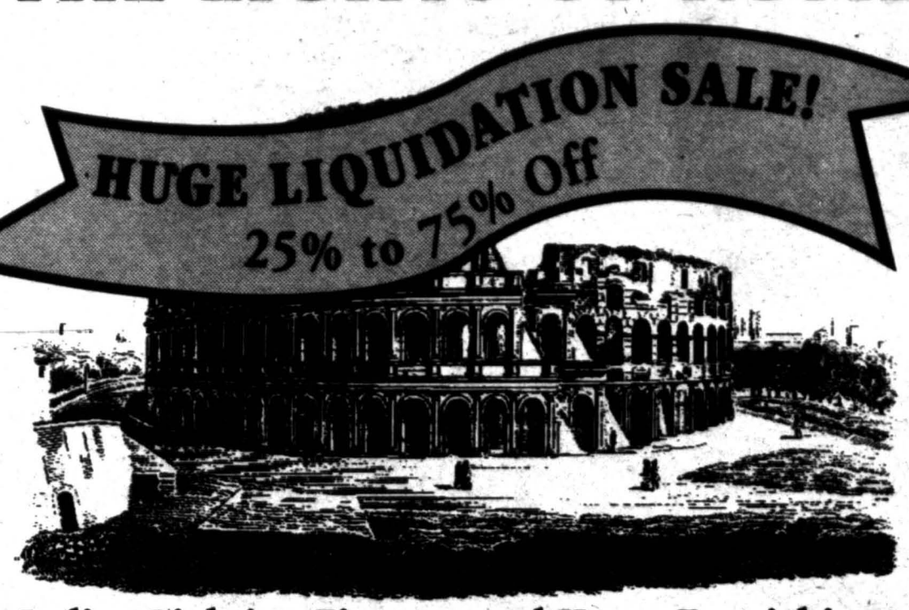

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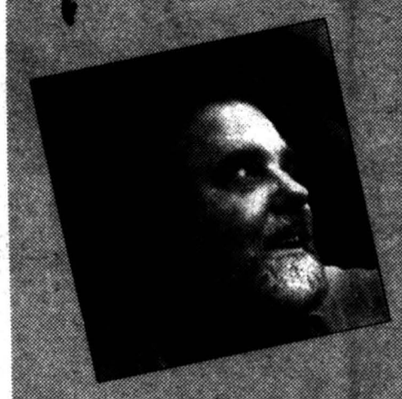

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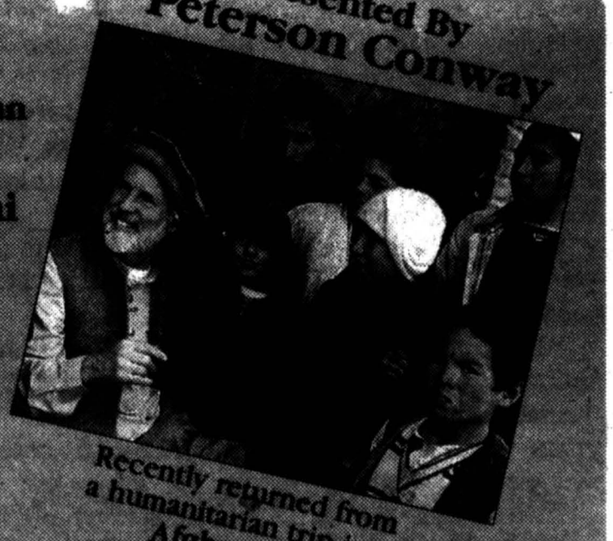

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STATE GRANT TO FAST FORWARD GROWTH OF OAKS AT SUNSET

By TAMARA GRIPPI

INSTEAD OF saplings, beautiful 15-foot oaks may be gracing the grounds of the newly renovated Sunset Center next year if a $42,000 California state grant comes through for Carmel.

Before the grant application can go forward, the Carmel City Council must give its stamp of approval to the proposal to purchase 15 to 20 mid-size coastal live oaks and a few pear trees. The council will consider the plan at its April 2 meeting.

In addition to the $42,000 available through the State Parks Bond Act of 2000, the city also has $18,000 set aside in a special city fund for reforesting Carmel.

Carmel Assistant City Administrator Greg D'Ambrosio explained the trees are 'field grown stock' — native trees that sprouted and developed naturally without the help of humans.

When the oaks were removed to make way for a development project, a tree company dug them out of the ground and put them in big box containers where the trees have lived for the last few years, D'Ambrosio said.

The trees available to the city range from 7 feet to 15 feet tall and may be anywhere from 10 to 15 years old. By contrast, the saplings are usually less than five years old when planted for landscaping purposes.

"These trees will be much more hardy," said D'Ambrosio.

If all goes according to plan, the trees will be shipped to Carmel several months ahead of planting time to allow them to adapt to the climate.

D'Ambrosio and city forester Mike Branson, who are working on the grant together, are looking at two different tree suppliers: Hecker Pass Specimen trees out of Gilroy and Boething Treeland in Portola Valley.

The bigger trees will make an important difference when the doors of Sunset open next year, according to D'Ambrosio. "It will be a real statement for complementing the center when people can come and see a lot of large trees and the landscaping" — especially considering that trees had to be removed on site, he said.

Combining the city funds with the grant money will buy 15 to 20 trees, which cost $2,000 to $2,500 each.

D'Ambrosio said using a crane to transplant the trees poses a "fairly low risk" of damage to the plants.

In fact, the city's Christmas tree was transplanted to the corner of Ocean and Junipero as a mid-size tree from a big box container in the 1980s when the original Christmas tree died.

That redwood, which was the same size as the oaks planned for Sunset, "has probably grown five times the size it was when it was originally planted," D'Ambrosio said.

Even more large-scale tree moving projects, such as the ones undertaken at Pasadera and Cañada Woods, have proved to be worth the effort, D'Ambrosio said. "I was pleasantly surprised by how many trees survived at Pasadera — some were 10 to 15 inches in diameter," he said. "They did a very impressive job."

The taller, majestic trees will be icing on the cake for the city's ambitious renovation of its 71-year-old theater.

"The building itself will be larger and obviously more beautiful, so the outside with the landscaping is so important," D'Ambrosio said.

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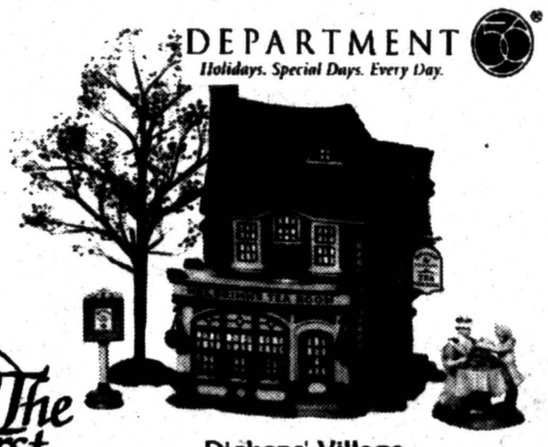
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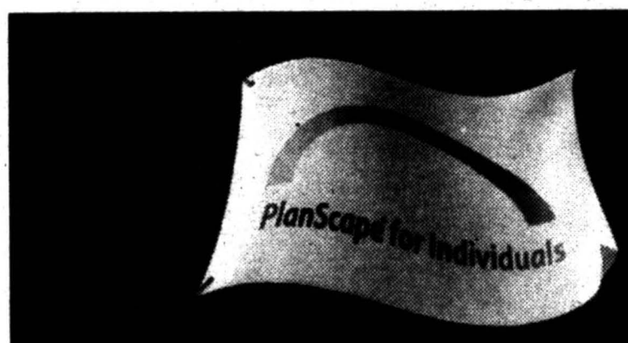

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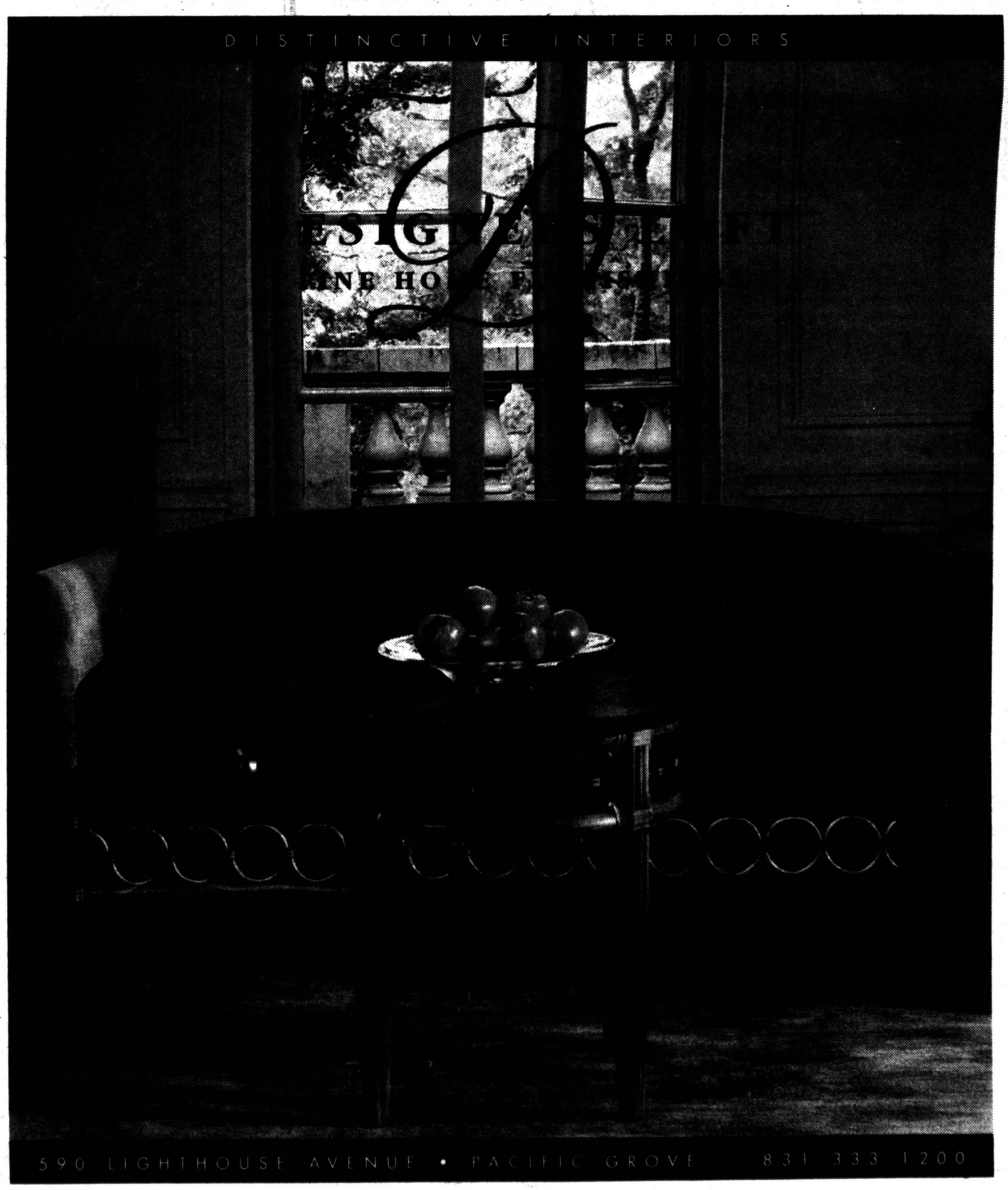
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Tularcitos head gets blue

By MARY BROWNFIELD

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Tularcitos Elementary School Principal Kim Williams agreed to have his hair dyed blue if every single student participated in the annual Read-a-thon. They did, and he obligingly took on the appearance of a Smurf. A number of kids also got in on the act.

"BLUE-HAIRED" may be a humorous way to describe a little old lady. It could even describe a some teens with artistic flair. But the term has never before applied to Tularcitos Elementary School Principal Kim Williams.

Not until recently, anyway.

At a student assembly March 15, Williams acquired a colorful cerulean coiffure to celebrate his students' 100 percent participation in the annual Read-a-thon. At least partially motivated by the thought of seeing their school head with a head of blue hair, the kids read a total of 353,134 pages and raised around $5,500 for the school library during the six-week contest.

"They were really getting into this," Williams said. "We're proud of them."

Kids and teachers donned off-the-wall headgear or sported unconventional hairdos for the Read-a-thon Crazy Hair & Hat Day. New school secretary Tina Gerow greeted everyone while wearing a magenta wig.

The kids raised money for the library by seeking donations or per-page pledges from friends and family, Williams said. The principal promised his fourth grade son, Seth, 10 cents a page.

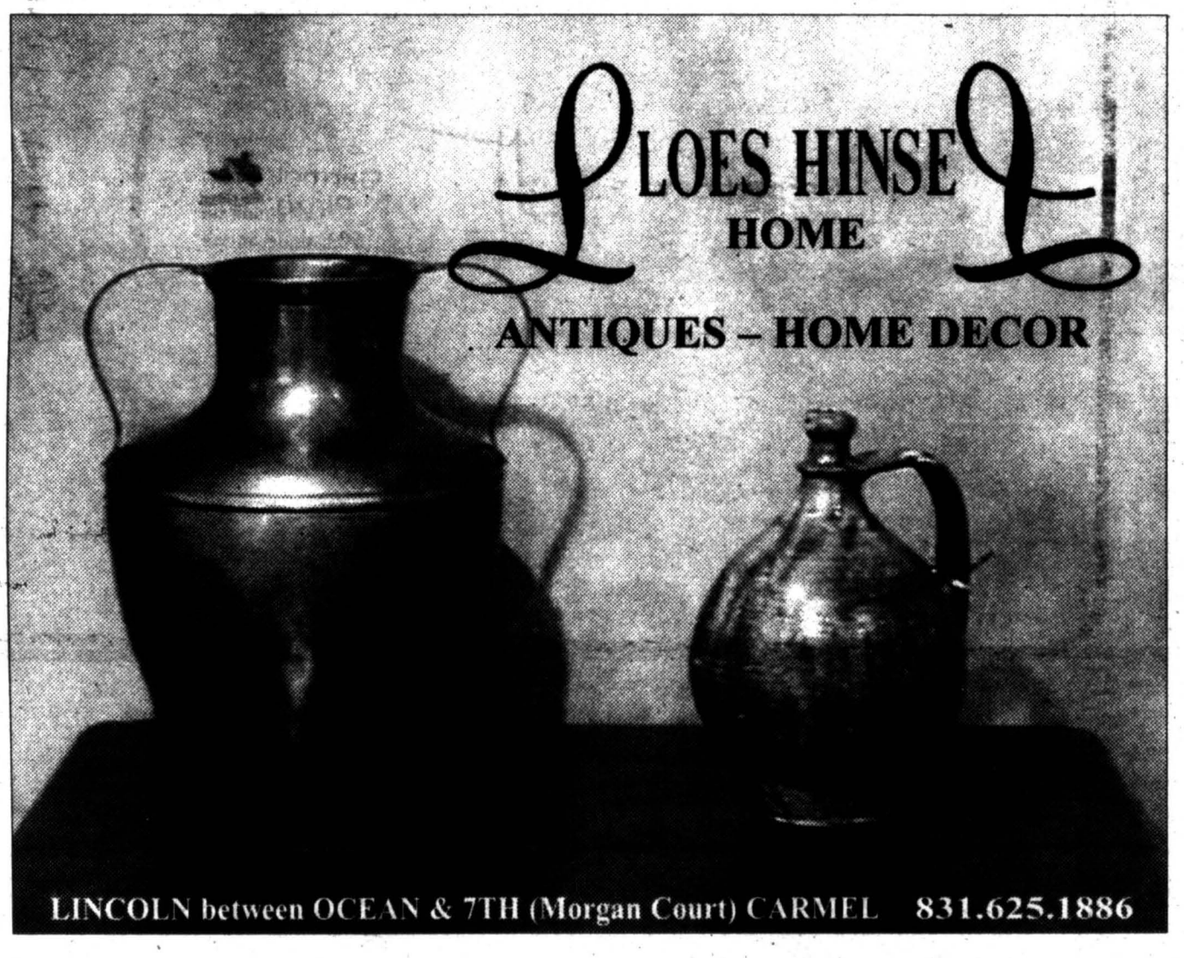
"It will cost me an arm and a leg," he joked.

Two years ago, after every single Tularcitos kid participated in the Read-a-thon, Williams was shaved bald. Before the Read-a-thon started this year, the students suggested a new goal to motivate them. Making the principal look ridiculous is, of course, very strong motivation.

"The kids are always trying to figure out what they can challenge me with, and I said I wasn't going to shave it again, so someone said, 'How about blue hair?', and then someone else said it, and that sort of stuck," Williams recalled.

As for next year's challenge, the principal refused to speculate.

"Everybody says, 'What's next?', and I say, 'That's not for me to decide.'"



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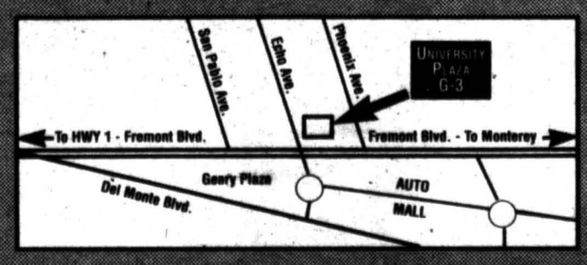

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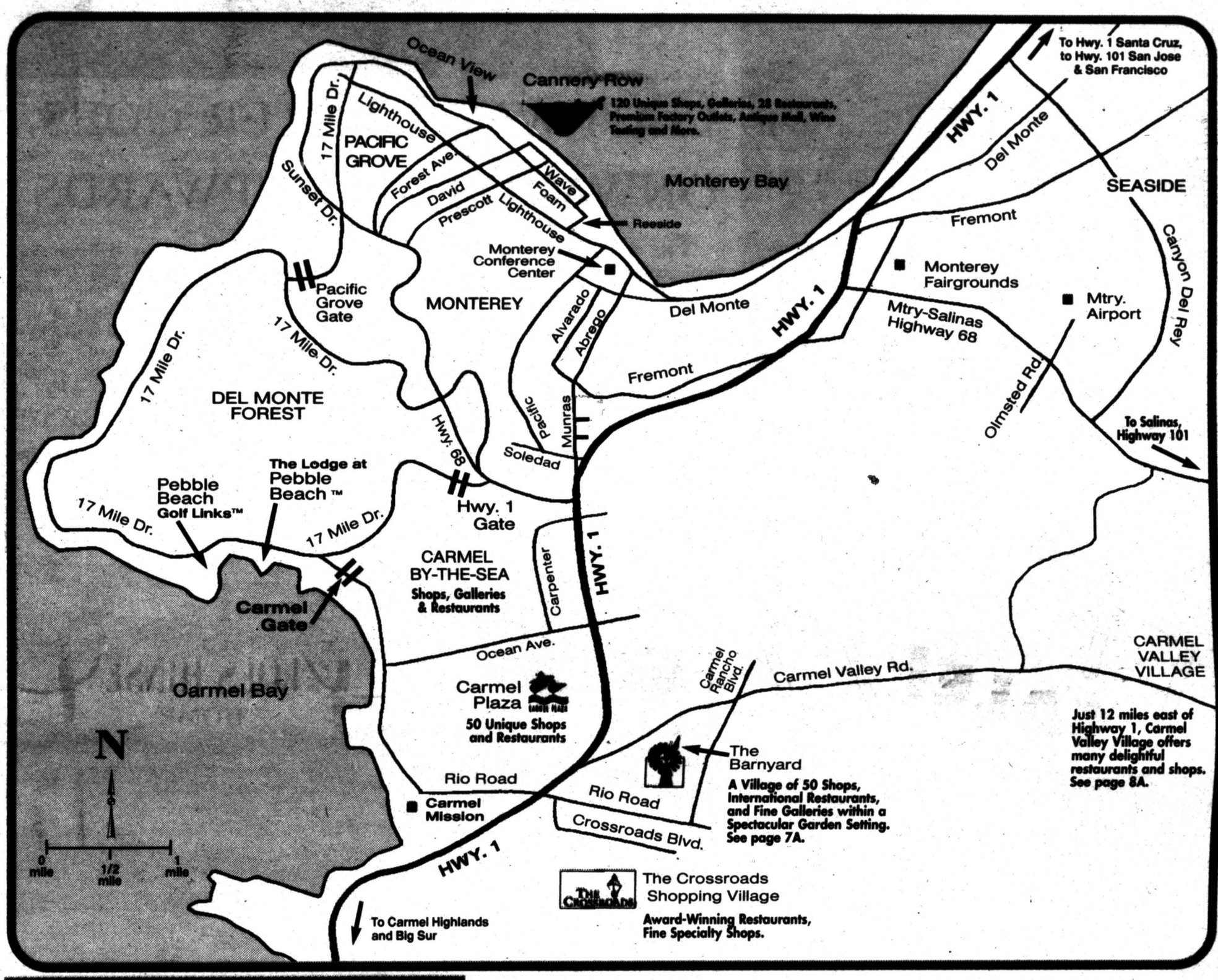

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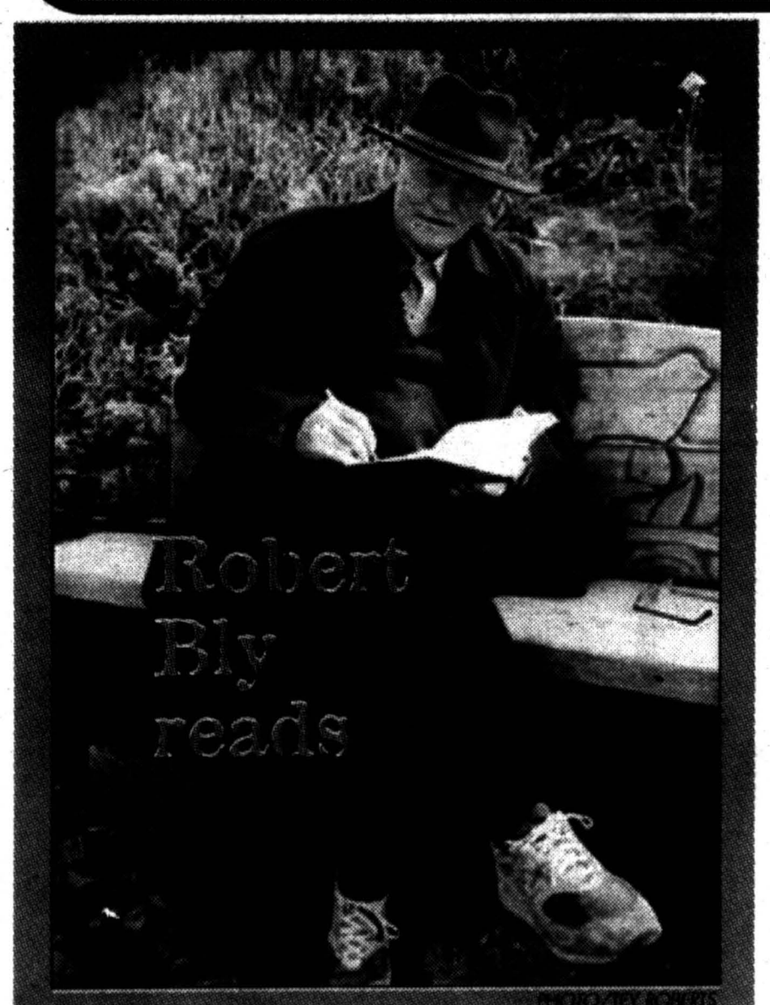


PHOTO/HEY ROBERTS

Poet Robert Bly, internationally acclaimed poet and National Book Award recipient, critic, storyteller, translator, lecturer and publisher, will be presented in an evening reading of his poetry at 8 p.m., Saturday, March 30 at Lecture Forum 103, Monterey Peninsula College, 980 Fremont, Monterey. Admission is $10 at the door. Bly's "Iron John: A Book About Men" was a national bestseller. The reading is part of the Robinson Jeffers Tor House Foundation 2002 reading series. For information, call 624-1813.

Have you a Ritschell or a DeGroat to loan?

SEVENTY-FIVE artists, all Carmel Art Association past members who have played an integral part in its formation and history, will be honored in a 75th anniversary retrospective showing in August.

Director Janet Howell, in announcing a search for the historic art, said, "It is our hope we will be able to locate an excellent representation of each of the 75 artists."

The committee is currently in the selection process and reviewing photographs of art. For a list of the 75 artists, drop by the CAA on Dolores between Fifth and Sixth avenues, Carmel-by-the-Sea or call the director at 624-6176. Photographs may be sent to P.O. Box 2271, Carmel 93921. If you do not have a photograph, call the gallery office so that arrangements can be made.

The retrospective show will take place from Aug. 8 - Sept. 4 in the main gallery and foyer. Other space in the gallery will be devoted to an exhibit of art by the current membership.

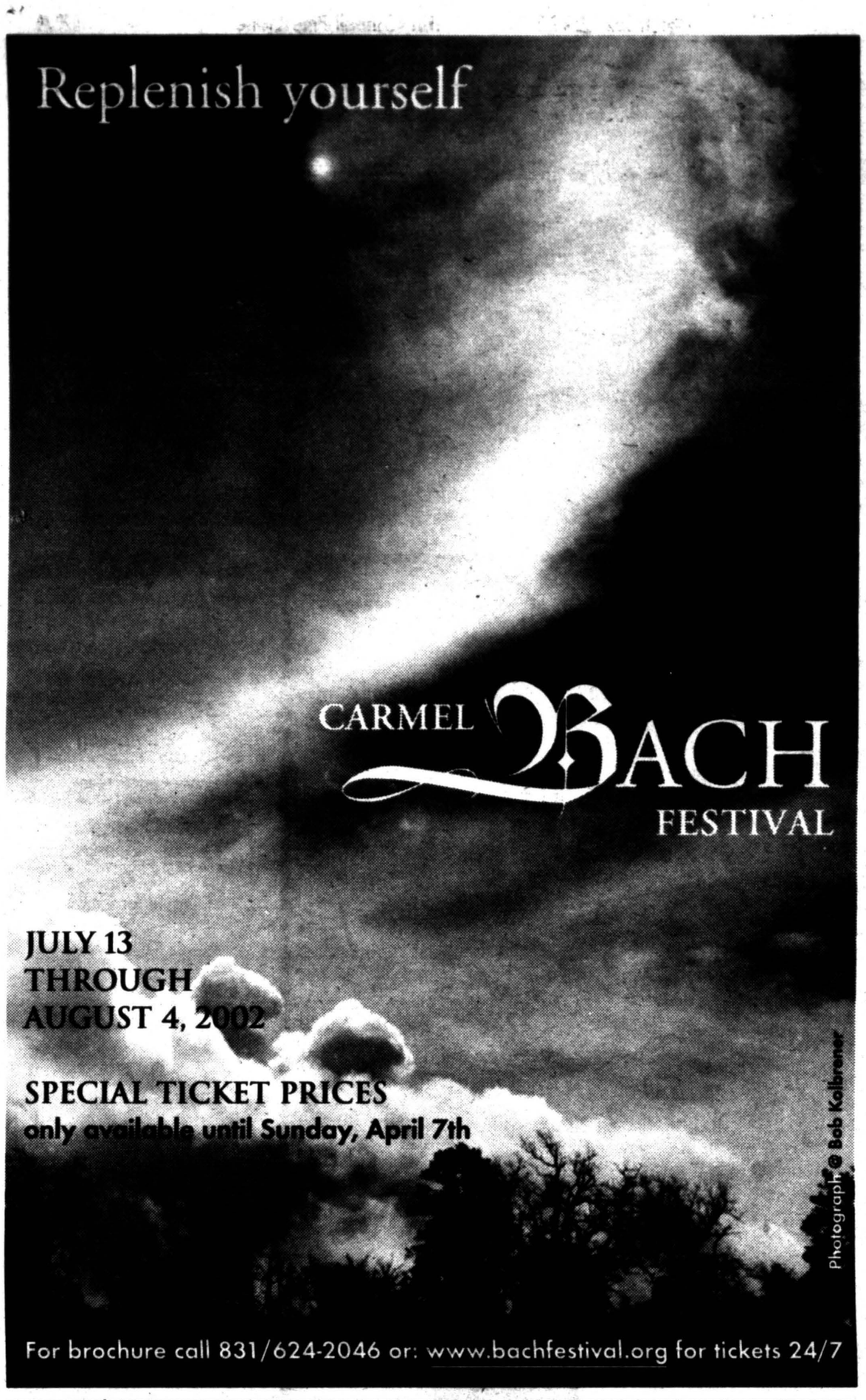
Sea Scribes display calligraphy April 2 - 28

CONTEMPORARY CALLIGRAPHY will be displayed at the 14th annual exhibit presented by Sea Scribes, the Monterey Bay Calligraphy Guild, from Tuesday, April 2 - 28 at the Unitarian Universalist Church, 490 Aguajito Rd., Carmel. A reception will be held 6 - 8 p.m., Friday, April 5.

Among those exhibiting are veteran calligraphers Debra Ferreboeuf, Maureen Fenton-Hansen, and Catherine vonSchwind. Sea Scribes invite all those interested in calligraphy to attend meetings held 7 - 9 p.m. the first Thursday of every month at Park Lane Hyatt, 200 Glenwood Circle, Monterey. For information, call 625-3742.

Soloing at the CAA

Norma Zeigle Bhaskar's acrylic on canvas paintings of bold forms and rich colors create a strong, visual impact on the viewer. Bhaskar will be featured in a solo show at the Carmel Art Association April 4 - May 1. A reception will be held from 6 - 8 p.m. April 6 for Bhaskar, whose work will be shown in the Center gallery, and for Kathleen Crocetti, Alex Gonzales and Dick Crispo whose work will be showcased in the Segal Gallery. The CAA is located on Dolores between Fifth and Sixth, Carmel-by-the-Sea. For information, call 624-6176.



Leslie Snorf, Diana Tiernan and Monterey Museum of Art trustee member Lila Staples got together at the recent Big Sur Land Trust reception at La Mirada.

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GATEWAY CENTER GOES ONWARDS AND UPWARDS

THE GATEWAY Center for the developmentally disabled held its fourth fundraiser, "Raising the Limits," at Rancho Cañada, with its great new executive director, Kathleen Adamson, meeting many supporters for the first time. Kathleen has hit the ground running. On the priority list: getting some badly needed renovations funded and carried out, and setting up a senior day program in Salinas . . . Carroll Fergusson shared some good laughs with Carmel Mission's Sister Marie. The latter, who coordinates many of the weddings at the mission, still recalls the one in which the rings were dropped just before being exchanged and everyone was on hands and

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. . . *and, by the way* . . .

Pine Needles

By Sissi Maleki

IT'S SUDDENLY that time of year when I get invited to model fashions for the Carmel Valley Women's Club show.

Personally, I feel really honored to be asked.

But on a practical level, as the years pass, I seem to be rapidly running out of body parts that can be "dressed." (Note to those who haven't reached that particular age yet: "hiding" doesn't count as "dressing.")

The first year, I instructed the store assistant to avoid giving me anything with stripes, because it made me shorter.

The second year I also nixed any short jackets that failed to cover my hips. Oh, and I went up a size.

The third year I added short sleeves to the "Don't even think about suggesting it to me." And, I went up another size.

This year, I decided to make it easy on the unfortunate soul that had to help me find stuff to wear.

"Just get me something that will highlight my long neck and my long earlobes. Give me a tent for the rest."

She understood.

The City of Carmel-by-the-Sea Community Activities & Recreation Division and the Carmel Host Lions Club are excited to announce the sixth annual:

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A "Passport to Eggland" can be purchased for $5.00 the day of the event and includes participation in all of the above (breakfast is separate). Many of the above activities will be individually priced as well, for those who do not wish to purchase a full passport. **This is NOT an Easter Egg Hunt.**

Call the Community Activities & Recreation Division at 626-1255 for more information.

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Most diners and lunchers enter Chef Lee's from its front entrance on North Fremont, an attractive green tiled roof restaurant unmistakably Chinese in its architecture and adornments. It's been there since 1978 with owner/chef Yen Chih Lee enjoying a clientele that is probably the envy of most restaurateurs. Since dinner starts at 4:30 and runs to 10 p.m., there are at least three turn-overs of tables per evening. We dined at 6:30 p.m. and the dining rooms were almost full, with the foyer area accommodating those waiting for take-out orders, which account for 20 to 30 percent of Chef Lee's business.

The dining areas are commodious, seating 100 in each of the two main rooms, 30 in the pagoda banquet room (perfect for wedding rehearsal dinner parties and the like), and 50 in the party room located to the right as one enters the reception area.

A sea of white-clothed tables fills each dining area, and lighting, concealed behind colorful ceiling panels, is pleasing to the eye. Acoustics are such that one may converse easily with dining companions, but not be disturbed by conversation from neighboring tables.

At least 15 wait staff and busers move about adroitly, and virtually the entire staff is in a good mood, smiling and polite. Our only cause for complaint is that our courses were served too quickly, a new course being introduced to our already crowded table before we had finished the last. Our waiter cheerily made room by reorganizing the dishes to accommodate the latest arrivals.

As the name implies, Chef Lee's Mandarin House specializes in Mandarin cuisine, signifying an aristocratic menu that takes the finest elements from all regions throughout China.

An extensive menu — ubiquitous in Chinese restaurants — starts with appetizers and soups ranging from $4.25 to $6.50, with Chinese chicken salad ($6.25) also in this category. The seven soups available are offered in small, medium and large portions ($4.75 to $7.25 depending on the soup ordered).

Entrées, ranging from $5.25 to $12.75, with a median price of $8.45, are listed in categories of beef, pork, fowl, seafood and 13 vegetable entrées. Double pan fried crispy Hong Kong style noodles, egg foo yong, rice plates, chow fun (wide noodles), fried rice and a selection of chop suey and chow mein dishes are also offered as entrées.

Six noodle dishes, for which Chef Lee is well known, are available only at lunchtime for $5.75 - $5.95.

Whole Peking ducks must be ordered 24 hours in advance: A young duckling is prepared in Chef Lee's specially built oven and served boneless with Chinese pancakes, scallions and plum sauce for $30.

Chef Lee's sizzling rice soup is one of his signature dishes. At table, a platter of deep fried rice is added to piping hot, made-from-scratch chicken soup containing shrimp, mushrooms and water chestnuts, and lives up to its name, sizzling loudly as rice meets broth. This is an exceptional dish and we have had none better in years of eating at dozens and dozens of Chinese restaurants.

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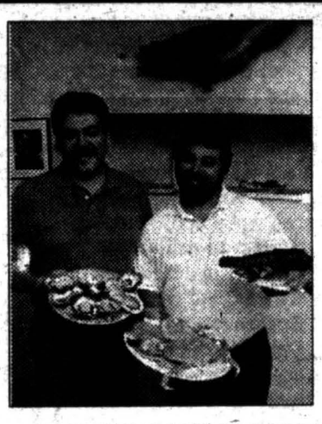
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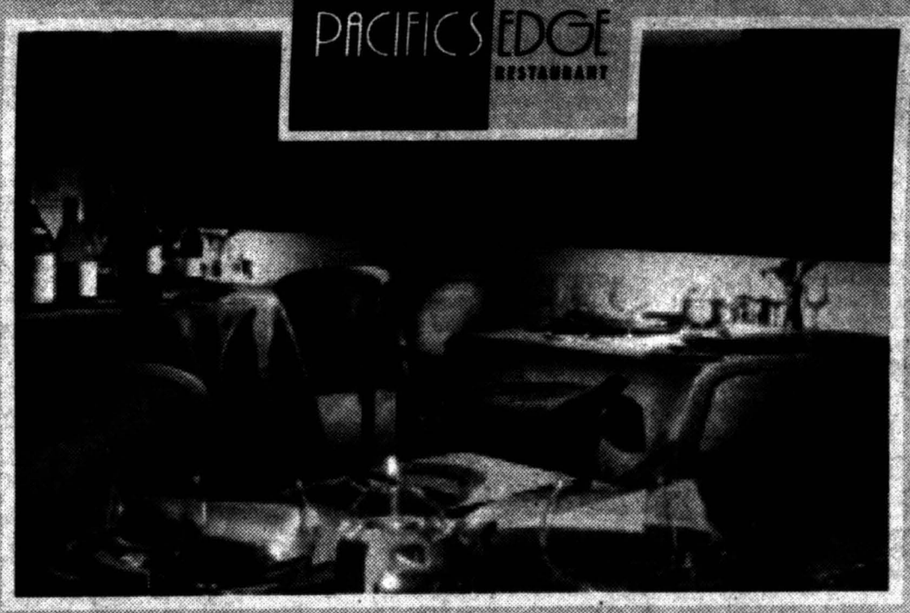
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knees searching for them! . . . Board member **Bruna Odello**, looking fabulous, caught up with founder **John Wecker**, **Father Dick Clark**, and Cypress Point golf pro **Jim Langley** . . . **Mary Lou & Steve Pilnick** have been longtime advocates and fundraisers for the group, as has **Susan Willey**, a very hard–working and generous board member . . . **Jack & Fran O'Rourke** were invited by **Carl & Doris Landman** and both Susan and Doris were busy bidding on "super artwork" created by Gateway residents . . . **Joe LoManto**, there with wife **Sharon**, got involved years ago as a member of the "20/30" service club (nicknamed the "Plenty Thirsty Club") that built a fence for Gateway.

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■ Big Sur Land Trust draws artists to its cause

The **Big Sur Land Trust** commissioned a number of local artists to feature Big Sur landscapes in their works and then held an opening reception/fundraiser, **"Land and Legacy,"** at **Monterey Museum of Art's La Mirada** . . . Judging from the quality of the works, it was no hardship given the subject matter! . . . **Donna Kneeland** and **Doris Auerbach** greeted guests such as **Leslie & Charlie Snorf, Diana Tiernan, the extended Dini family, Skip Lord, Larry Chandler, Marsha Zelus** and **Lisa Hollo** . . . Also seen there were Monterey Museum of Art trustee members including **Lila Staples** and **Shary Farr,** life planning specialist and a recently named Outstanding Woman of the Year . . . **Jay Mahoney** brought along **Hailey Kuhn**, who's loads of fun to be with . . . Conservation Land Manager **Sus Danner** chatted with trustee member **Jean Grace** . . . Artist **Virginia Fry** chatted with **Melissa Lofton**, whose dad was renowned artist **Richard Lofton**, and **Marla Van Stein** watched over kids **Forrest**, 3, and **Haley**, 6, while artist hubby **Thomas** schmoozed with guests . . . Next time you drive down to Big Sur, don't forget to thank BSLT's ongoing struggle to preserve those open spaces . . .

■ Oscar night for the Film Commission

The night of the Oscars, glitter and glamour could also be found at Spanish Bay, thanks to the 12th annual **Monterey**

Susan O'Connor came with Craig Reimers to the Monterey County Film Commission Oscar Night Gala.

County Film Commission Oscar Night Gala . . . The Friends of the Film Commission were given a private reception preceding the event to thank them for their support and generosity. (The Commission knows how to pamper its friends!) . . . Board member **Cece McCoy** is really just a "newbie" to this area, but she came from the movie industry in L.A., so the commission was a perfect fit. She exchanged news with **Kathy Paul**, who also chatted with **Tony Yates & Mary Jane Vidovich**. Tony shared his experience as an extra in "The Terminator," working with director James Cameron. "I've never seen someone so intense," he recalled. "He must've re–shot the part where Schwarzenegger says, 'I'll be back!" a million times, even though it always looked the same!" . . . **Betty & Bob Hammer**, Palo Alto escapees, love movies, and Bob, a videographer, is now doing a documentary on Pacific Grove. Also seen with them were **Jerilynn Smith** and **Elizabeth Fournier** . . . **Craig Reimers**, recently retired from corporate life and now into real estate, brought along **Susan O'Connor** . . . Executive director **Susan Elliott** paired up **John Ivey** with actress **Lynn McRee** from "Scream 3," and some spirited one–line zingers were flying around between them . . . Others there included **Betty Valenti** and **Carol Lee Dooley**, easily glamorous enough to fit right into the red carpet crowd . . .

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Publication dates: March 15, 22, 29, 2002. (PC310)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20020494. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as **MONTE DEL LAGO,** 13100 Monte del Lago, Castroville, CA 95012. MHC Operating Limited Partnership, an Illinois limited partnership, Two North Riverside Plaza, Suite 800, Chicago, IL 60606. This business is conducted by a limited partnership. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious name or names listed above on August 29, 1997. (s) David W. Fell, VP of GP of MHC Operating Limited Partnership.. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on March 7, 2002. Publication dates: March 22, 29, April 5, 12, 2002. (PC 312)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20020569. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as **DAHL TECHNICAL CONSULTING,** 457 Webster Street, Monterey, CA 93940. Jon Edward Dahl, 24835 Torres, Carmel, CA 93921. This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious name or names listed above in March 2002. (s) Jon E. Dahl. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on March 15, 2002. Publication dates: March 22, 29, April 5, 12, 2002. (PC 313)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20020580. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as **PEEK-A-BOO CHIILDREN'S RESALE,** 303 Grand Ave. Ste. D, Pacific Grove, CA 93950-3421. LEILANI KIM CRAWFORD, 211 Park St., Pacific Grove, CA 93950. This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious name or names listed above on March 28, 2002. (s) Leilani K. Crawford. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on March 18, 2002. Publication dates: March 22, 29, April 5, 12, 2002. (PC 314)

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION
Estate of FRANCES B. BROOK
Case Number MP 15834

Hearing date: April 26, 2002. Dept.: 14; Time: 10:30 AM. Superior Court of California, County of Monterey, 1200 Aguajito Road, 2nd Floor, Monterey, CA 93940.

1. Publication will be in Carmel Pine Cone.

2. Petitioner JAMES A. SPENCE be appointed administrator and letters issued upon qualification that full authority be granted to administer under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. $240,000.00 bond be fixed. It will be furnished by an admitted surety insurer or as otherwise provided by law.

3. Decedent died on Dec. 2, 2001 at Saratoga, Santa Clara County, CA, a resident of the county named above. Street address, city, and county of decedent's residence at time of death: Our Lady of Fatima, 20400 Saratoga-Los Gatos Rd., Saratoga, Santa Clara City, CA 95070. Character and estimated value of the property of the estate:
Personal property - $240,000.00
Total - $240,000.00

Decedent died intestate. See attachment (1).

Attorney or party without attorney: David W. Tate, The Kramer Law Firm, 280 Second Street, Suite 100, Los Altos, CA 94022. Attorney for petitioner: James A. Spence.

Publication dates: March 22, 29, April 5, 12, 2002. (PC315)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20020581. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as **1. BRUCE SALES, 2. DEEP GREEN,** 320 9th St., Greenfield, CA 93927. BRUCE MONCRIEF, 320 9th St., Greenfield, CA 93927. This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious name or names listed above on March 18, 2002. (s) Bruce Moncrief. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on March 18, 2002. Publication dates: March 22, 29, April 5, 12, 2002. (PC 316)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20020595. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as **MORNING GLORY,** San Carlos Street, Carmel, CA 93921. PATRICIA IRENE FINCH, 1 Santa Rita & Second, Carmel, CA 93921. This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious name or names listed above on March 19, 2002. (s) Patricia Finch. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on March 19, 2002. Publication dates: March 22, 29, April 5, 12, 2002. (PC 317)

CYPRESS FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT. NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING. AMENDED FINAL BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2001/2002.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN; the Board of Directors will meet at 2:00 p.m. on March 28, 2002 at the District's fire station, 3775 Rio Road, Carmel, CA to adopt an Amended Final Budget for Fiscal Year 2001/2002 that ends on June 30, 2002.
NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the Final Budget has been adopted and is available for inspection at the District's fire station located at 3775 Rio Road, Carmel, CA between the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that any taxpayer may appear and be heard regarding the increase, decrease, or omission of any item of the budget or for the inclusion of any additional items.
March 22, 2002
Gayle Sheppard
Secretary of the Board
Publication dates: March 29, 2002
(PC319)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20020489. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as **A & B OPTICAL,** 337 El Dorado, Ste 2-B, Monterey CA, 93940 HELLYN M. RAGSDALE, 100 Carlton Drive, Del Rey Oaks, CA. 93940. EVELYN R. BROWN, P.O. Box 1693 Monterey, CA., 93942. This business is conducted by a general partnership. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious name or names listed above on March 2, 2002. (s) Evelyn R. Brown, owner, Hellyn M. Ragsdale, owner. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on March 6, 2002. Publication dates: March 29, April 5, 12, 19, 2002. (PC 318)

PUBLIC NOTICE
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning Commission of the City of Carmel-by-the-Sea will conduct a public hearing in the City Hall Council Chambers, located on the east side of Monte Verde Street between Ocean and Seventh Avenues, on Wednesday, April 10, 2002. The public hearing will be opened at 4:30 P.M. or as soon thereafter as possible.

IF YOU CHALLENGE THE NATURE OF THE PROPOSED ACTION IN COURT, YOU MAY BE LIMITED TO RAISING ONLY THOSE ISSUES YOU OR SOMEONE ELSE RAISED AT THE PUBLIC HEARING DESCRIBED IN THIS NOTICE, OR IN WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE DELIVERED TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION OR THE CITY COUNCIL, AT, OR PRIOR TO THE PUBLIC HEARING.

1. DS 01-46
Bill Eggleston
W/s Guadalupe between 5th & 6th
Block 62, lots 11 and 13
Consideration of a Concept Design of a Track Three Design Study application for a substantial alteration to an existing residence in the Residential (R-1) District.

2. UP 02-6/DR 02-5
David Fink
W/s Mission between Ocean and 7th
Block 77, lots 9 and 11
Consideration of Use Permit and Design Review applications for an existing restaurant and a retail space in the Central Commercial (CC) District.

3.UP 02-7/DS 02-8
Hank Bardsley
N/s Ridgewood off Junipero
Block 3, lot 2
Consideration of a Use Permit and Design Study applications for an addition to an existing residence and the establishment of a legal subordinate unit in the Residential (R-1) District.

4. UP-02-10/DS 02-7/RE 02-3
Larry Berte
N/s Ridgewood off Junipero
Block 3, lot 3
Consideration of Use Permit, Demolition and Concept Approval applications for a second story addition to an existing single family residence with a guest house in the Residential (R-1) District.

5.UP 02-9
Joe Walter
W/s San Antonio between 8th & 9th
Block A-1, lot 3
Consideration of a Use Permit for a substantial alteration to a nonconforming structure in the Residential (R-1) District.

6.UP 02-11
Michael Klassen
NE corner Lobos and 1st
Block 1, lot C
Consideration of a Use Permit to amend an existing use permit in the Residential (R-1) District.

Planning Commission
City of Carmel-by-the-Sea
(s) Anne Morris
Secretary of said Commission
Publication dates: March 29, 2002.
(PC320)

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Planning Commission of the City of Carmel-by-the-Sea will conduct a public hearing on 10 April 2002 in City Hall. The Public Hearing begins at 4:30 p.m., or as soon thereafter as the agenda permits. The purpose of the hearing is to gather public comment prior o taking action on the proposed ordinance described in this notice. The City Council is scheduled to consider this ordinance at its regular meeting of 7 May 2002. Persons interested in the proposal are encourage to review the draft Ordinance available at the Department of Community Planning and Building prior to the meeting date. Copies of the Ordinance may be purchased at the Department of Community Planning and Building.

IF YOU CHALLENGE THE NATURE OF THE PROPOSED ACTION IN COURT, YOU MAY BE LIMITED TO RAISING ONLY THOSE ISSUES YOU OR SOMEONE ELSE RAISED AT THE PUBLIC HEARING DESCRIBED IN THIS NOTICE, OR IN WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE DELIVERED TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION OR THE CITY COUNCIL, AT, OR PRIOR TO THE PUBLIC HEARING.

Proposed Action:

Adoption of an ordinance amending Municipal Code Section 17.46.080 (Time Limits on Approvals and Denials). If adopted by the City Council, the proposed ordinance would allow the Planning Commission to grant time extensions, equal in length to the original time limit, for projects that require coastal development permits even if changes in the General Plan or Municipal Code have occurred. The ordinance change would allow the Planning Commission to grant time extensions for projects requiring coastal development permits without a public hearing.

Project Location: All Commercial Districts (CC, SC, RC and R-4)
Environmental Status: Exempt
Date of Notice: 3/29/02
Publication dates: March 29, 2002.
(PC329)

File No. 20020559
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person(s) is/are doing business as: CENTRAL COAST DISTRIBUTING, AI #200204010061, 815 South Blosser Road, Santa Maria, CA 93458

Central Coast Distributing, LLC, (California), 815 South Blosser Road, Santa Maria, CA 93458

This business is conducted by a limited liability company.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on January 31, 2002.

I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.)
SIGNED: CENTRAL COAST DISTRIBUTING, LLC, By: Gary Rudolph, Chief Financial Officer

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on March 15, 2002.

NOTICE-This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the Office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).
First Filing
Publication date: March 29, April 5, 12, 19, 2002

Don't forget to check out the Pine Cone's Website! www.pineconecone.com

Teenager publishes novel; Rosie's Cracker Barrel immortalized

"SIX SECOND Slack," believe it or not, is a first novel by a 15-year-old local high school girl. And a well written, attention-holding young adult novel it is. **Rachel Claus Hector** follows the ground rules laid down for young writers: Write about what you know.

Rachel does just that: She writes about horses, about moving to a new community, which we can easily identify as Salinas, leaving old friends behind, of fitting in with new acquaintances, and of being introduced to rodeo riding — after previously mastering dressage. Alyson, the 15-year-old protagonist of the story, and her horse Chiquita have to start from scratch.

Teenage angst is just below the surface as Alyson works her way through each new problem and challenge, emerging the stronger and wiser for it.

Rachel Claus Hector created a book that will have young adults begging for a sequel. She is a sophomore at Stevenson School, who for the past four years has been an active volunteer at Redwing Horse Sanctuary. Her concern for animal welfare and contribution to her community earned her the 2000 "Millennium Dreamers" award from the McDonald's and Disney corporations.

Here is a chance for the public, and in particular, young writers who want to meet a successful author and to hear Rachel read from her book at a booksigning from 2 to 6 p.m., Saturday, April 6 at Bay Books, 316 Alvarado St., Monterey. The 125-page trade paperback retails for $10.95 and is published by Writers Club Press. For information, call 375-1855.

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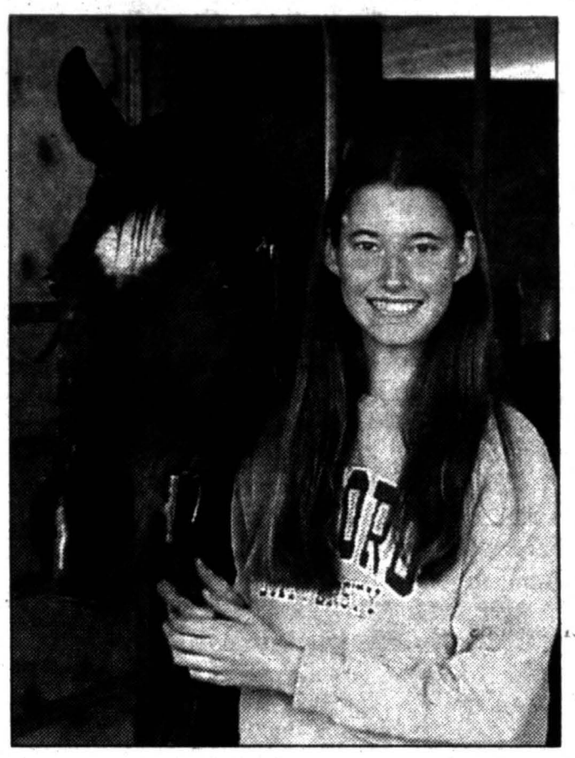
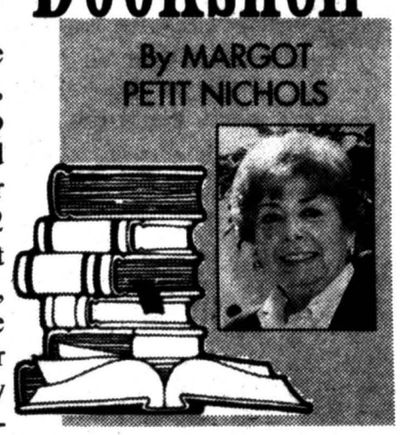


Rachel Claus Hector

The Bookshelf

By MARGOT PETIT NICHOLS



"ROSIE AND his Cracker Barrel," by Carmel Valleyite **Marilyn Sanders**, is a 59-page monograph about the irascible (kids bothered him), stingy (yet generous), tough appearing (yet shy, gentle and easily hurt), highly regarded Carmel Valley Village character, William Irwin Henry — the "Rosie" of the erstwhile Rosie's Cracker Barrel.

Sanders points out that "Truth gets easily distorted from one generation to another. History is made of yesterdays." It is these yesterdays that she records for posterity.

See ***BOOKSHELF*** *page 21A*

BORDERS

TEACHER APPRECIATION DAYS

Friday thru Sunday, April 12-14, All Day
Borders will honor all teachers and librarians with Free gifts, raffles, live music, tasty treats and a 25% discount on selected items.

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Vera
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Saturday, April 13 - 7 pm
Sunday, April 14 - 2 pm
Piper Maru
Enjoy world music and light jazz with a touch of New Age from musicians playing the sitar, didjeridu and guitar.

BOOK EVENT

Saturday, April 13 - 5 pm
Meet the Author!
Book signing/discussion with Shirley Kurnoff, author of *The Human Side of Dyslexia*, a resource book for parents & teachers of dyslexic children.

CHILDREN'S EVENTS

Tuesdays at 11 am and Fridays at 7 pm
Storytime
Join us for storytime every Tuesday at 11 am with Miss Jennifer.
Also, hear bedtime stories every Friday evening at 7 pm. Pajamas are welcome!

MUSIC EVENT

Friday, April 5 - 7:30 pm
Lynch, Spanky & Little John
Hear folk, jazz, blues and traditional accoustic sounds.

AND MORE

Wednesday, April 10 - 7:30 pm
Dr. Joann Donahoe, DMV
Attend Dr. Donahoe's Animal Lover's Hour on the second Wednesday of every month at 7:30 pm at Borders. The number one cause of animal death is not physical death, but rather, behavioral problems that pet owners unconsciously create. To help resolve these problems, our resident veterinarian, Dr. Donahoe, dedicates her time to answer our pet questions.

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Frequent trips to **MONARCH KNITTING & QUILTS** are in order now through May, because Joan's featuring a rotating trunk show from the famous Welsh yarn artist, Colinette. Every 2 weeks, different garments, throws & scarves made from those luscious, hand-dyed yarns - in great colors & textures. Also, "Fixation" is in! That cotton yarn you' ve been asking for, with a bit of elastic perfect for baby, or any age, clothes & socks. In solid colors and full rainbow array of variegateds, in bulky weight, too! 529 Central, PG. 647- 9276

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As always, there are many unique and important "finds" at the **TOTAL DOG**. Along with rolled leather dog collars from Finland, if you're a serious collector you'll want May to show you the Royal Doulton figurines as well as her other figurines, and her many prints and other collectibles. How about an English cigarette card? She also reports coffee mugs and toys are due in any day. These are perfect gifts for dog lovers, but then, everything in this shop is perfect for dog lovers. Across from the Barnyard, Carmel. 624-5553.

Feeling an urge to check out **TOWN OR TRAVEL?** Listen to that fancy and arrive as soon as possible. That is if you're interested in the best of spring! See the raglan sleeve blouse with band bottom, one size fits all, in loads of colors. Perfect for travel, twin set (shell & jacket) with poly cotton pants or skirt, in navy or black; jacket &skirt in grape or tutti-frutti; tweed jacket and skirt in beige & tangerine; merino wool cardigans, David Brooks many summer novelties, Leon Levin, Bleyle - ah yes! San Carlos, near 7th, Carmel. 626-0276

Prim & Proper

Many, beautiful spring clothes make **PRIM & PROPER** even more desirable than ever before - if you can believe it! Dea's receiving almost daily shipments of Foxcroft shirts – wrinkle-free, great spring colors, some with matching cardigans Also, new styles in indigo & other colors from Blue Willis, those favorites of so many of us, in classic pullovers for women and men, also sand colored sweaters and jackets. Oh, and Easter finery still available in beautiful 2-piece dresses, etc. Waste not a minute! 553 Lighthouse, PG 372-5563

Monterey Antique & Gift Centre

Please treat yourself to **MONTEREY ANTIQUE & GIFT CENTRE** as soon as possible! Here you'll find only selective, hand picked, exquisite items of furniture, art, bonzes, mirrors, centerpieces, etc. at affordable, close to wholesale prices! Specializing in antiques of yesterday and what will be the antiques of tomorrow, this shop caters to interior designers and to the selective eyes of "household masters". Great sale going on now - with 40% to 50% off selective items. This extension of the Holman Antqique Plaza is located at 449 AIvarado, Mtry. 646-9030.

CARMEL BUSINESS SALES

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By the way, if for some unheard of reason, you haven't discovered the **MONTE VISTA MARKET**, by all means discover it! It's in that small shopping center on Soledad Drive just off Hwy. 1

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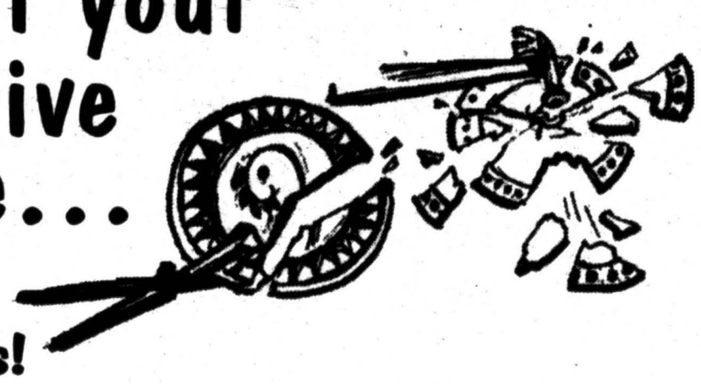

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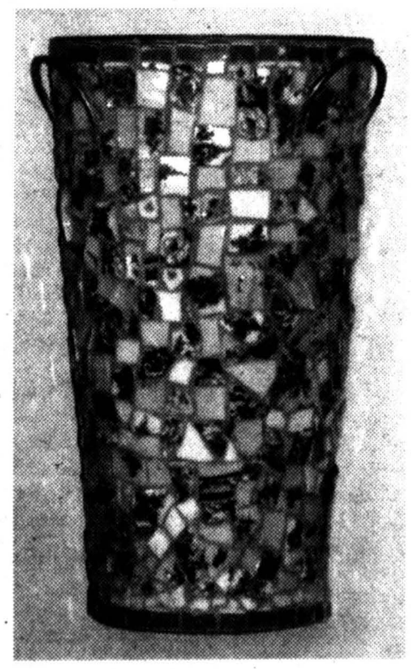

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Bill Bates, Cartoonist
Ken White, Former Mayor
Mayor Sue McCloud
Dick Ely, Councilman
Glenn & Marian Leidig, Residents
Howard Skidmore
Mike Marotta, Sr., Landlord
Tom Nash, Attorney
Dwayne Hickman (Doby Gillis)
Robin McKee, Carmel Performing Arts
Merv Sutton, Youth Center
Denny LeVett, Hotel Owner
Stephen Moorer, Theater
Johnny Anderson, Broadway stage Mg
Linda Russell
Hannah Russell
George Webb, Hollywood Set Designer
Ken Otrich
Pat Sipple
Eddie Johnson
Phil Coniglio
Cole Weston, Photographer
Dale Lefler, Hollywood Dancer
Ed Haber, Quail Lodge
l.arry Wilde, Author
Sam & Edie Karas
Nancy Crookston, Artist
Sam Salerno, Columnist
Martin Mersault, Columnist
Jim Tunney, NFL Referee
Robert Blaisdell, Movie Director
Gary Price, Sculptor
Leslie Tryon, Author
Nader Agha, Developer
Sally Reed, County Administrator
Patricia Hamilton, Publisher
Glynn Wood, MIIS
Dee Adolf
James Ellroy, Author
Bill Monning, MIIS
Ian Ramsey, Artist
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Ray March, Publisher
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David Benjamin, Group Radio Owner
Jerry Schumacher, Actor
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Robin McKee
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Gary & Catherine Sage
Alexander & Luba Titovets, Artists
Cara Weiss Wilson
Chief Don Fuselier
Bob Bussinger
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Peg Bracken, Author
Dianne Day, Author
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Gasper Cardinale, Businessman
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Alys Bliesner
Peterson Conway
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Anne Holiday, Author
J. Dunaway, Author
Marie Breedt, Artist
True Boardman, Actor
Karin Strasser Kaufman, Politician
Ted Balestreri
Gerald Brommer, Artist
Sherwin & Mary Miller, Gorda
Paul Laub
Richard Lithgow, Artist
Lawson Little, Quail Lodge
Paul Miller, Publisher
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Ron Weisman
Charlie Page, Attorney
Corey Brown
Scott Fogelsong, Author
Alan Shugart, CEO Seagate
Peter Baldwin, TV Director
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Richard DeMarco
Lamont Johnson, Director
Jean Snow
Tom Swimm, Artist
Anne Davison
Simon Combes, Artist
Mary Pagan, Chef
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Bob Booker, Producer
Hal Kren, Score
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What's Happening

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THE CITY of Carmel-by-the-Sea Community Activities and Recreation Division and the Carmel Host Lions Club are excited to announce the sixth annual **Breakfast with the Bunny and Eggstravaganza**, 8:30 a.m. to noon Saturday, March 30 at Devendorf Park in Carmel. This is not an Easter Egg Hunt. For cost of the event and information call Carmel Community Activities at 626-1255.

READING BY Robert Bly will be presented 8 p.m. Saturday, March 30 in Lecture Forum 103 at Monterey Peninsula College. Admission is $10 at the door. 624-1813.

THE CARMEL HERITAGE Society is hosting a **house and garden tour** on April 7. Visit an eclectic mix of seven inspiring homes and gardens that provide a glimpse into the enchanting character and history of Carmel. Homes include: oceanfront Frank Lloyd Wright house on Scenic Drive, hidden gardens, patios and building of Casa Paraiso, two tastefully restored M.J. Murphy's including Villa Scimmia (Monkey House), the Hasenyager garden, Shan Sayles' gardens and house, and a Julia Morgan designed home on Carmel Point. Finally, the Carmel Heritage Society is offering refreshments and an opportunity to view a current historical display showcasing the Carmel Fire Department at the First Murphy House on Sixth and Lincoln. Tickets are $20 in advance; $25 at the door on April 7th. Information: call 624-4447.

THE AMERICAN Cancer Society's Discovery Shop presents its **"Linens and Lace" sale**, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday, April 8 to 13. The shop is at 198 Country Club Gate Shopping Center, David and Forest avenues, Pacific Grove. Donations of fine linens and lace, kitchen linens, aprons, placemats and doilies are being sought and are tax deductible. Donations accepted through April 8. Information: 372-0866.

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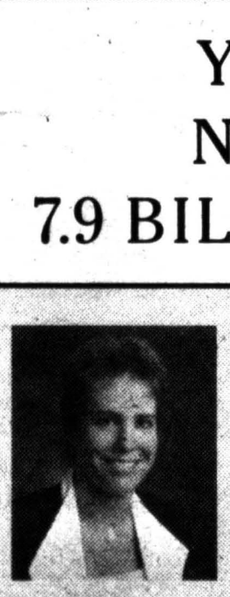

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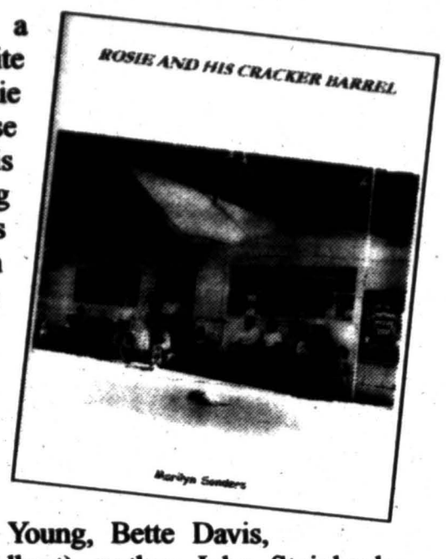

The monograph is a nicely written composite of recollections of Rosie and his store by those who knew him best. His domain was a gathering place for journalists (locals, as well as San Francisco's Stanton Delaplaine), artists, cartoonists (Virgil Partch, Hank Ketcham, Lee Holey, Frank O'Neal,) actors (Ronald Coleman, Mary Pickford, Buddy Rogers, Robert Young, Bette Davis, Merv Griffin, Eddie Albert), author John Steinbeck — ranchers, cowboys, contractors, regular village people. Rosie's drew an eclectic mix.

He acquired the store in 1939 and ran it for almost 44 years, wearing many hats in that one rural location. He was a grocer, a gasoline attendant, a postal clerk, a bartender and a cook — all this with eyesight so bad he was declared legally blind. Rosie's Cracker Barrel was put on the Register of County Historical Landmarks in 1993. Rosie died in 1982 while taking a nap in his Naugahyde rocker in the bar, surrounded by friends in his Cracker Barrel, "the ancient heartbeat of Carmel Valley."

The bound monograph is available at The Thunderbird Bookshop, Carmel, retails for $10, and is now in its second printing. For information, call 624-1803.

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HIGH SCHOOL poets will receive awards beginning at 1 p.m. Saturday, March 30 at Monterey Public Library, 625 Pacific St., Monterey. Twenty-five poems — to be published in an anthology — were selected from nearly 300 submissions from high school students throughout the county. The winning poets will read their works at the free event, which is open to the public. For information, call 624-7491.

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LARRY WILDE, humorous motivational speaker and author of 53 books on the subject of humor, will kick off National Humor Month at 7 p.m., Tuesday, April 2 at the Monterey Public Library. Humor Month is designed to heighten public awareness of how the joy of laughter can improve health, boost morale, increase communication skills and enrich the quality of life. **"When You're Up to Your Eyeballs in Alligators,"** and **"Treasury of Laughter"** are two of Wilde's books. A book signing and refreshments will follow his presentation. The event is free, and seating is limited, with admission by ticket only. Tickets can be picked up at the check-out desk or by calling 646-3477. The library is located at 625 Pacific St., Monterey.

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HERE'S A HEADS-up for a very special evening set for Aug. 9 at which author **Jonathan Franzen** will be the speaker at Carmel Public Library Foundation's sixth annual Literary Feast. Franzen, New York City author of the best selling novel **"The Corrections"** (selected by Oprah Winfrey for Oprah's Book Club), interprets American society in this comic-tragic novel. His fiction and non fiction appear frequently in The New Yorker and Harper's magazine. More later.

A LA CARTE

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categories: Peking Dinners and Chef Lee Dinners. The Peking Dinners are served with soup of the day, fried won ton and egg rolls, plus various entrées geared to two, three, four or five persons — $22 to $55. Chef Lee dinners — $24 - $60 — start with sizzling rice soup, spring rolls and fried prawns and offer a selection of entrées for two to five persons. This latter includes half a yummy crispy duck. All family dinners come with steamed rice, hot tea and cookies.

Now for the age-old question: Does Chef Lee use MSG in his dishes? The answer is yes, but diners may request that MSG be omitted.

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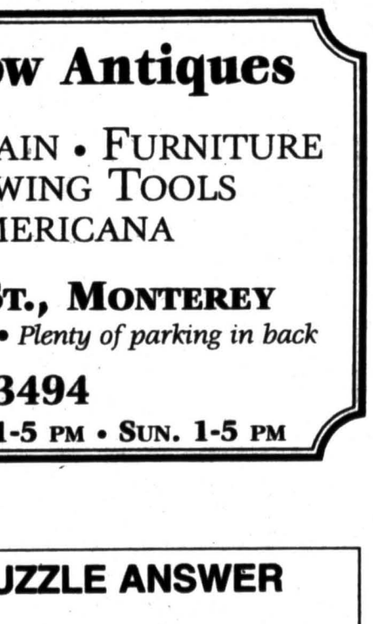

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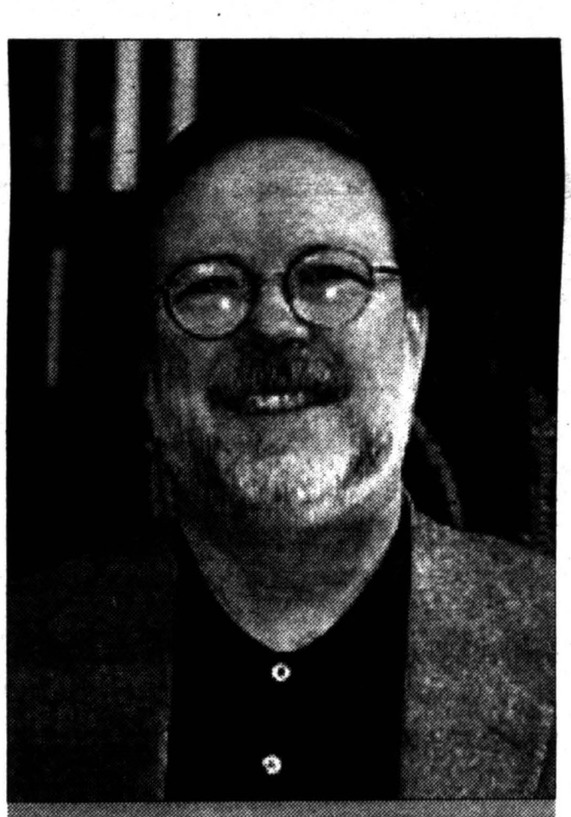

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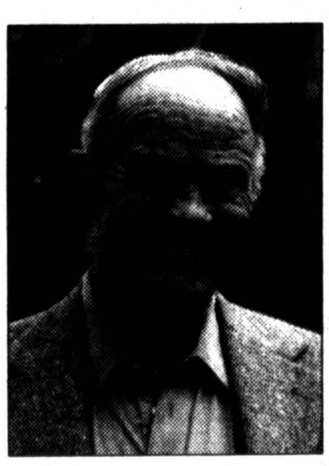

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FORUM

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certified.

"The fact is that Carmel's business district, residential district, forest and beaches are all worth protecting and we will all do that, but who can to it better?" said Gerard Rose.

On the same page?

When it came to some of the major issues facing the city, the challengers and incumbents had surprisingly similar opinions.

In response to a question on how historic preservation should be handled, several candidates — including Livingston and McCloud — emphasized the importance of a strong education program.

McCloud argued that the city should "work with people using the two sections of the LCP that provide incentives and not draw a line in the sand and have a confrontation."

Livingston said she was very encouraged that some people have voluntarily designated their homes and used the Secretary of the Interior standards for rehabilitation. "They're showing that property values don't decrease, but property values go way up when you rehabilitate."

However, she used as an example of "voluntary preservation" Bill and Mary Louise Shellooe, who wanted to tear down their old Scenic Road cottages but were told by the coastal commission that they couldn't. After more than two years of trying to get a permit, they finally acquiesced.

"There are some houses older than 50 years that should be torn down," White said. "They're unhealthy, unsafe and probably people shouldn't be living in them."

The candidates offered different perspectives on the historic preservation lawsuits filed by Enid Sales and Friends of Carmel Cultural Heritage.

Livingston argued that the lawsuits could have been avoided and homeowners could have been spared agony if the city had placed a moratorium on demolitions while the LCP was in the works.

But Hazdovac disagreed. "We had so many projects in the pipeline and we weighed the pros and cons, so I believe the lawsuits would have been greater than the one we're looking at now."

McCloud also countered that they did pass a moratorium to try to negotiate a settlement with Sales, but it never got them anywhere.

There was a lot of agreement among candidates about removing trees — particularly the stand of eucalyptus that has been cut down on Fourth Avenue.

"I am very sorry that they are down, but I was the one who made the motion to go forward with their removal," said Livingston. "Do I support the removal of trees? I support the decisions of the forest and beach commission and the acting director of forestry."

Jim Wright, who lives on Fourth Avenue, said he feels safer now that the trees are gone, but he misses them.

"The criteria I have used are a combination of two things," said Rose. "Does a tree pose a danger to anyone's personal safety or does a tree pose a danger to any property?"

White agreed that health and safety are extremely important when considering tree removals. "When the forestry commission denied the removal of a huge pine tree lifting a house off its foundation, it made the Rush Limbaugh program," White said. "He blasted the city and that's a situation the council rectified."

When asked about instituting a paid parking program, the candidates offered varying degrees of support and skepticism for the program, but all of them agreed that the city should go forward with a demonstration to see if the program can raise enough money to be right for Carmel.

Vote for me

In addressing the audience of more than 200 at Carpenter Hall Tuesday night, each mayoral candidate made a very different case for why she should be leading Carmel.

Livingston argued that voters can trust her to protect Carmel's special character.

"How do you think the town got to be this way?" she asked. "By allowing anyone to do anything they wanted? Or by everyone following the same rules so this place remains special. Who can you trust on April 9 to do the best job of protecting this special place?"

McCloud argued that the current council has successfully tackled projects in a systematic way has eluded previous councils and should be allowed to continue.

"By remaining focused, this council has accomplished much and has done so by using a large measure of common sense mixed with a dollop of humor," she said. "If you like the progress made in the last 22 months, please vote to reelect me."

Calling all political buffs to Carmel City Hall April 9

By TAMARA GRIPPI

CARMEL City Hall is the place to be to get first word of the city's election results April 9. Minutes after the 8 p.m. closing of the polls, Monterey County election officials will be ready to announce the winners of the mayoral and city council races, thanks to a touch-screen voting system.

Carmel voters will once again be able to vote with the touch-screen devices — which first debuted in the city's 2000 election — at all four polling places in town. The results are automatically tallied as the votes are cast.

Carmel City Hall has again been designated as the central counting place for the April 9 election and Monterey County Registrar of Voters Tony Anchundo and his staff will be on hand at city hall election night to conduct the official tally.

As soon as the election workers deliver the cartridges from each polling place, Anchundo will be ready to announce the next mayor and city council

And of course, Carmel's traditional election-night party — complete with coffee and cookies — will be in full swing starting at 7:30 p.m.

City clerk Karen Crouch is hoping for a good turnout and strongly encouraged citizens to vote.

In the March gubernatorial primary, 47.1 percent of Carmel's registered voters turned out. And in the city's 2000 municipal election, 52.2 percent of voters showed up at the polls.

Carmel currently has 3,159 registered voters compared to the 3,344 who were registered to vote in 2000.

In the last election, Carmel Mayor Sue McCloud won with 881 votes to former Mayor Ken White's 845. In the 2000 council race, Barbara Livingston was the highest vote getter with 849 votes, followed by Dick Ely with 831 votes, Gerard Rose with 817 votes, Marshall Hydorn with 739 and Joe Steinfeld with 102.

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BEARS

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then and that's what it says now."

The fish and game official at the scene is still in charge, according to Updike, but the public and law enforcement officers must be educated about how to deal with potentially dangerous wild animals.

"Because of unpredictable behavior in wild animals, there has to be extra thought, extra care, extra planning," he said.

For example, "there's a way to herd animals without getting them scared," he said, referring to the May 23, 2001, incident in which police, while attempting to keep track of the bear as it wandered around Carmel, ended up pursuing it into town rather than turning it toward a forested area.

Members of the public can help by not unwittingly luring bears into urban areas with available, edible garbage, too.

"Our biggest problem — at least what I run into — is as far as any kind of wildlife interacting with the public, people just don't understand wildlife," said game warden and Carmel Valley resident Barry Ceccon. "There are a lot of things I have to brush up on, such as how is that bear or mountain lion supposed to react? But people — they watch the Discovery Channel and suddenly they know everything."

Attempts to educate people are well founded, he said. The challenge lies in getting them to pay attention.

"The concept is really good — it will just be hard to make all of the public that aware," he said. "A lot of times, people are not all that interested unless they have an incident that's high profile. If it's not right there in front of the public, they don't tend to think about it that much."

Nonetheless, Updike is confident the lessons learned last May will help prevent similar occurrences in the future, and that educating the public and law enforcement is crucial.

Although the public information campaign has yet to begin, Updike said meetings with various citizen groups, businesses and agencies have already occurred and fish and game has made progress in teaching people how to deal with wild animals in urban settings.

"It was an unfortunate incident in Carmel," he said. "But it's been very instructional not just for the Carmel region, but for the whole state."

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MILESTONES

WALTER E. STEWART's life will be celebrated at 3:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 2, at John Gardiner's Tennis Ranch in Carmel Valley. Mr. Stewart died March 21 at age 87.

A native of Ohio, Mr. Stewart was a veteran pilot who moved from flight training to instructing, then to the Ferry Command and ultimately into the Air Transport Command, flying C-54s. He was involved in major Pacific operations from 1944 to the Japanese surrender, carrying personnel, wounded, material and even USO entertainers like Bob Hope, Betty Grable and Olivia De Haviland. He completed many missions "Flying the Hump."

Mr. Stewart founded Del Monte Aviation and sold the company in 1975.

He was a member of The Quiet Birdmen, Of the Pacific Biological Lab, the Beach and Tennis Club and was a charter member of the Pacheco Club. He was a director of Guide Dogs for the Blind, the SPCA, and was a distinguished benefactor of CHOMP.

He is survived by his wife, Katharine.

CARMEL VALLEY residents since 1972, **JOHN ORVILLE BROBERG**, 86, and **ALICE V. BROBERG**, 84, died Feb. 5, 2002, and Sept. 2, 2001, respectively.

Both were born in Minnesota. Mrs. Broberg was a secretary and homemaker before the couple moved to Carmel Valley. She was volunteer manager of the Thrift Store of Carmel Valley and also belonged to the Community Chapel in the 1980s.

Both husband and wife volunteered as docents at Point Lobos for 10 years. Mr. Broberg recorded oral history with the Carmel Valley Historical Society.

Mr. Broberg earned his B.A. in journalism from the University of Minnesota and was a news editor for ABC TV in Hollywood. He wrote four novels and occasional articles and poems, some of which appeared in The Carmel Pine Cone. He was a member of the American Scandinavian Foundation, Sierra Club and Carmel Valley Property Owners Association, and was a founding member of the Ostomy Club.

They are survived by a son, John T. of Santa Barbara, and three grandchildren. They were preceded in death by a daughter, Valerie, in 1973.

Memorials are suggested to the Carmel Valley Historical Society.

CECELIA (CECE) VALCOURD BOWEN WOODHOUSE, a Carmel resident from 1979 to 1990, died Feb. 16 in Michigan at an Episcopal residential care facility she helped to develop in 1965. She was 95.

A native of Bucks County, Penn., she attended Brown Preparatory School and Pierce School of Business Administration in Philadelphia. She was an avid volunteer, gardener, golfer and traveler, and was a Bible study fellowship leader at All Saints Episcopal Church in Carmel.

She is survived by two daughters, Alison Woodhouse Burleigh of Carmel and Jane Hooper of Michigan; a son, Bill Burleigh of Big Sur; nine grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Memorial contributions are suggested to St. Anne's Mead Foundation, 16106 W. 12 Mile Road, Southfield, Mich., 48076.

LYNN BERWICK, a native of Leigh on Sea, England, and a local resident since 1936, died Feb. 16. She was 93.

Ms. Berwick managed the Vanity Fair Frock Shop in Carmel for her good friend, Eve Sorey, who owned the shop. In the years since Mr. Sorey's death, Lynn and Eve lived in Mrs. Sorey's Carmel home with their dog, Gigi. Ms. Berwick loved animals and was a fine horsewoman in her youth. She supported animal protection causes and always had dogs, often French poodles.

She is survived by her nephews, David and Peter of Arizona.

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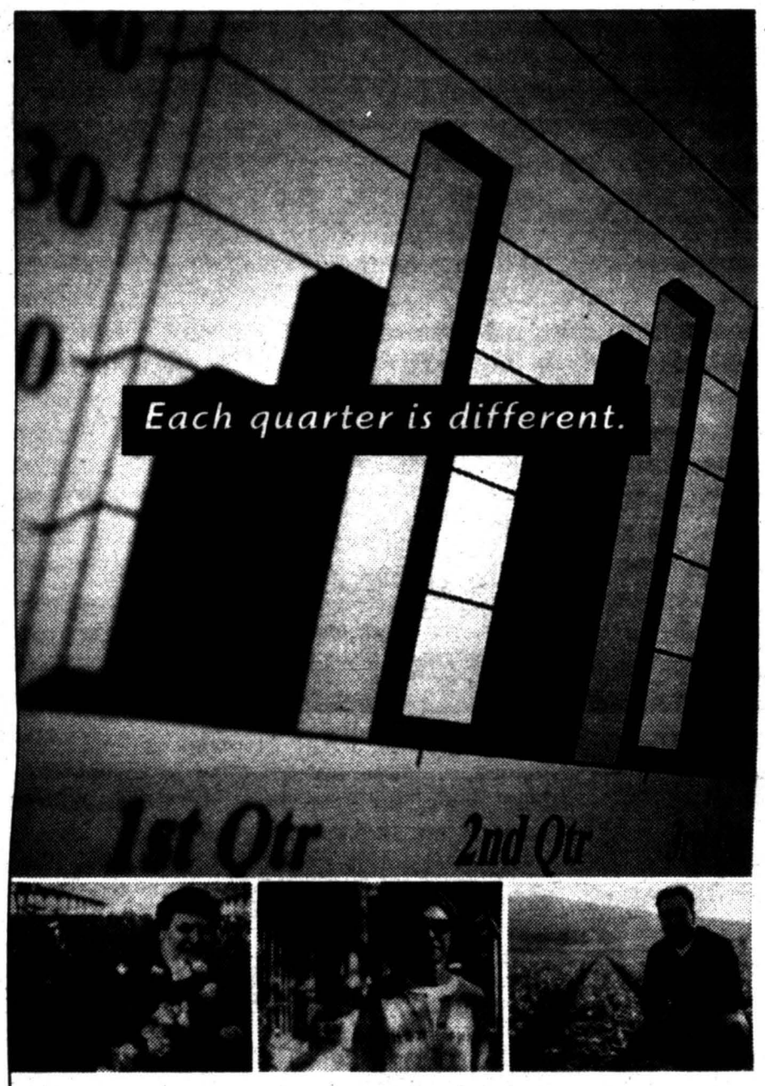

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TRANSFER

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trict closes, and to continue gathering and turn those in Monday," she said.

Ordinance 102 — passed 4-2 by the water board Feb. 28 and set to take effect 30 days later — repeals a law that allowed water credits to be moved from one commercial property to another for use by a new or expanded business and permitted municipalities to accept and distribute water credits.

Anyone who wishes to turn in a signed petition can drop it off at the Dolphin Inn, San Carlos and Fourth, through April 1.

The ban on water transfers essentially means no new water is available anywhere within the 170-square-mile district.

If successful, the petition drive will force the water district to reconsider Ordinance 102, and if it chooses to keep the rule in place, to put the matter to voters in the Nov. 5 election.

Save Our Water, comprising about 20 Peninsula businesses, had originally planned to deliver signed petitions to the water district March 27. But as of March 26, the group had only gathered 2,000 signatures — a little more than half the number needed to force the issue.

"We still have a way to go," said Eckerson, who spent March 26 walking through a Monterey neighborhood to gather signatures. "We can't let up for even a second."

Eckerson said most people signed the petition, but many knew nothing of the issue before she knocked on their doors.

"I ended up spending a lot of time educating," she said. "It sounds so ridiculous that people almost don't think it's possible."

For more information on the petition drive, contact the Monterey Peninsula Chamber of Commerce at 648-5360 or visit its website at www.mpcc.com. Anyone in Carmel who wishes to turn in a signed petition can drop it off at the Dolphin Inn, San Carlos and Fourth, through April 1, according to Eckerson.

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City Hall – East side of Monte Verde Street between Ocean and Seventh Avenues

I. **Call to Order**
II. **Roll Call**
III. **Pledge of Allegiance** Members of Boy Scouts Troop #3 will lead the Pledge of Allegiance.
IV. **Extraordinary Business**
A. Presentation of a Fifteen year Service Award to Timothy Wood, Public Works Senior Maintenance Worker/Cement Mason.
V. **Announcements from Closed Session, from City Council Members and the City Administrator**
A. Announcements from Closed Session
B. Announcements from City Council representatives on outside agencies
C. Announcements from the City Administrator
* Introduction of newly appointed Police Sergeant, John Nyunt.
* Introduction of Deanna Sessums, League of California Cities Regional Representative
* Sunset Theater Project Update - Bill Camille
VI. **Appearances**
VII. **Consent Calendar**
A. Ratify the minutes for the meetings of March 4 and March 5, 2002.
B. Ratify the bills paid for the month of March 2002.
C. Adopt Resolution No. 2002-25 authorizing the City of Carmel-by-the-Sea to enter into a co-sponsorship agreement with Mr. Gregory Cellitti for the annual "Movie on the Beach". **CONTINUED FROM MARCH 5, 2002.**
D. Adopt Resolution No. 2002-30 awarding the bid for Sunset Center Theater lighting instruments to LVH Entertainment Systems in the amount of $12,320.
E. Adopt Resolution No. 2002-31 authorizing an expenditure of $18,209 available in the Urban Forest Restoration Deposit Account for use as supplemental funds with the City's Per Capita Grant allocation for design work, purchase of larger specimen trees, expansion of landscaping areas and installation costs for the Sunset Theater Renovation Project.
F. Adopt Resolution No. 2002-32 awarding a contract to The Valley Slurry Seal Company effective April 5, 2002 for a slurry seal of city streets at a price not-to-exceed of $35,000.
G. Adopt Resolution No. 2002-33 awarding the bid to Simplified Office Systems for the City Clerk Document Imaging Project in the amount of $22,091.22.
H. Adopt Resolution No. 2002-34 authorizing a transfer of funds and an expenditure of an amount not-to-exceed $15,992 from the Capital Outlay Contingency Fund to purchase a replacement gardener's truck, declaring the old vehicle as surplus and authorize its disposal by auction.
I. Adopt Resolution No. 2002-36 rejecting all bids for the Twelfth Avenue Beach Stairway Access Construction Project.
J. Adopt Resolution No. 2002-37 authorizing an expenditure of $1,000 from the Council Discretionary Account to support Carmel High School's "Sober Grad Night" on June 14, 2002.
K. Adopt Resolution No. 2002-39 approving the application for grant funds from the Big Sur International Marathon.
L. Adopt Resolution No. 2002-41 amending the employment agreement with Rich Guillen, City Administrator.
VIII. **Public Hearings**: None
IX. **Ordinances:** None
X. **Orders of Council**
A. Consideration of an encroachment application submitted by Mary Ann Reynolds for property located on the west side of San Antonio between Thirteenth and Santa Lucia (Block A-6, Lots 7&9 - APN 010-293-004). **CONTINUED TO MAY 7, 2002.**
B. Consideration of an encroachment application submitted by Robert and Judith Profeta for property located on the east side of Torres between Eighth and Ninth Avenues (Block 100, Lots 14 & 16).
C. Receive Capital Improvement Project and Capital Outlay budget status report.
D. Consideration of an appointment to the Planning Commission (1).
E. Scheduling of future Council meetings - please bring your date books.
XI. **Resolutions**
A. Consideration of Resolution 2002-40 authorizing National Parking & Valet, LLC, the City's contract parking management service, to increase the fee for monthly parking permits from $30 to $40 per month at the Sunset Center's north parking lot.
XII. **Adjournment**

The next meetings of the City Council will be held in the City Hall Council Chambers as follows:
Election: Tuesday, April 9, 2002 - Central Counting Place - Chambers open at 7:30 p.m.
Special Meeting: 3:30 p.m., Thursday, April 16, 2002 - Oath of Office - Council Chambers
Special Meeting: 3:30 p.m., Thursday, April 18, 2002 - Council Budget Workshop - Council Chambers
Regular Meeting: 3:30 p.m., Tuesday, May 7, 2002 - Council Chambers

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OPINION

Editorial

How to get volunteers

IN THE OLD war movies, whenever a difficult mission arose, the no-nonsense company commander assembled his men and declared, "I need three volunteers. You, you and you!"

His men were a bit like Carmel's residents, who are being told they should voluntarily declare their homes officially protected historic resources. If they don't, well, there's always somebody willing to force them to do so. Or to punish them severely — with repeated trips to the California Coastal Commission and the court house — for having the audacity to step out of line with the city's official values. The village that was founded in a spirit of individualism and free-spiritedness has become obsessed with conformity.

But the city's rush to protect its character by requiring this and mandating that is doomed to fail because legislating good taste is impossible. The tighter the regulations, the more boring the city becomes as cookie-cutter remodels and new construction, designed for the sole purpose of getting a permit, become the norm. Among the homes built in Carmel in the last 20 years, the vast majority have a garage door and a front door facing the street, a driveway of exactly the required length, the same setbacks as everybody else, etc., etc., etc. The modern era has seen the end of the humble creativity that inspired the home builders of yesteryear, not to mention the right to make changes as inspiration strikes during the building process.

The city's Design Traditions Project, approved by the city council last year, recognized the conflict between strict zoning rules and achieving variety in home design. It encouraged flexibility in lot coverage, site planning and elevations. Similarly, volumetrics — limiting home size by volume — has the potential to stimulate creativity. Unfortunately, both innovations were simply added on top of, instead of supplanting, existing design and zoning rules. It remains to be seen whether architects and home builders, cowed by decades of being nit-picked by the bureaucracy, will feel liberated enough to test the limits of the city's new rules.

Likewise, all the talk about voluntary preservation presumes that homeowners will see some benefit from putting their homes on a list that will sharply limit their options for their property. Civic pride and altruism are certainly strong motivating factors for some. Cuts in permit fees and property taxes would certainly help. So will spreading the word that ownership of an old cottage is a highly fashionable thing to do. (That's what the Carmel Cottage Society is trying with its "Cottage of the Month" feature in this newspaper).

But we'd like to propose an even more meaningful incentive that the city could put in place at no cost and which would reap immediate and tangible benefits for the owners of officially designated historic buildings: Any resident whose home is accepted for inclusion on the city's historic list — and whose remodel plans are approved by the city's planning staff as being in conformity with guidelines for renovation of historic homes — would be issued all the necessary permits ASAP. The only appeal of staff's decision would be directly to the city council, which could only overturn the permit approval on a four-fifths vote.

Compared to the gargantuan task of getting a regular permit (especially all these years that the city has gone without a Local Coastal Program), the promise of this highly streamlined permit process would get instant attention from all owners of potentially historic buildings. We think they'd really respond.

BATES

Letters to the Editor

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The Pine Cone is no longer able to accept letters to the editor by fax. Please submit your letters by U.S. mail, e-mail, or in person (addresses are provided below).

'Fairness and common sense'

Dear Editor:

I've lived in Carmel for many years and worked as a police officer for the Carmel Police Department for 31 years.

I know our town well, and I've seen many changes — some good, some disappointing.

My fellow residents honored me by electing me to the city council of Carmel-by-the-Sea for three consecutive terms. I have worked with and observed at close range Barbara Livingston, Ken White and Jim Wright.

This knowledge is why I am now asking our residents to join me in voting for the incumbents — Sue McCloud, Paula Hazdovac and Gerard Rose. They've accomplished a great deal in the past two years and have acted with fairness and common sense. We need them to continue.

I am disappointed in the campaign tactics, rhetoric and sign littering of the "challengers." I am particularly saddened by their attitude and words in this campaign. They should be showing more dignity and respect for our village and our citizens.

Francis "Bob" Fischer,
Carmel-by-the-Sea

White on the LCP

Dear Editor:

A question I have been asked is "Why hasn't the Local Coastal Plan been certified by previous Carmel-by-the-Sea City Councils?" Simply put, Carmel-by-the-Sea enjoyed one of the very few Categorical Exceptions from the Coastal Commission through the 1980s and 1990s.

When it became clear to our council and city staff that the Coastal Commission would withdraw our Categorical Exception because of their concern about the growing number of requests for demolitions in our city, I asked staff to begin working on the LCP.

1. The Beach Management: This was developed by a large citizens committee and adopted by the previous council.

2. The Design Traditions project: Developed by a large citizens group.

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3. Forest Management Plan: Written by retired City Forester Gary Kelly. Authorized by previous council.

4. Business District Design Standards: Developed by citizens group. Presented to the Planning Department and rewritten.

5. Consultant E.M.C. to complete Local Coastal Plan. Interviewed by the previous Council.

It should be clear that the public had a lot of input to the LCP. prior to this present council.

A Footnote: After lengthy conversation with the Coastal Commission staff, on April 6, 1999, our city attorney and planning director asked the council for a one-year moratorium on demolitions. This would give our staff and consultants a chance to work with the Coastal Commission staff for a smooth LCP process. A moratorium needs 4 out of 5 votes to pass. The vote was Hydorn, Livingston, and White yes, and McCloud and Hazdovac no!

The no vote delayed the LC. by about one-and-one-half years. It cost property owners time and money through the extended process. It cost taxpayers funds in defending against court actions brought against the city.

The political ads by the current City Council claiming full credit for the Local Coastal Plan are misleading. Check the record.

They had their chance

Dear Editor:

With all the info we have on the 250 signs put in and out of the Carmel area on March 9, the important thing to remember is the three people running as a team are the same people that were in the city council before and they did nothing to change the city and now they want a second chance. I say they had one chance and that is enough. Time to vote for McCloud, Hazdovac and Rose against the three running as a team.

Chuck Poland, *Carmel*

Who's the litterbug?

Dear Editor:

Yesterday I discovered that the election sign in front of my house had been torn off its stanchion and was lying across the street, half in the gutter and half in the street. When I picked it up, I noticed that it had a sticker on it, which said,

LITTERBUGS
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Evidently the vandalizers who did this don't realize that they are the ones who are littering. Other signs in my neighborhood have been similarly vandalized and tossed aside in an unsightly mess. My advice to these litterbugs: Stop vandalizing, take some courses in English and logic, (your message is nonsense) and, for God's sake, get a life.

Constance Wright, *Carmel*

'Common sense and intelligence'

Dear Editor:

In trying to analyze why Livingston, White and Wright decided to run against incumbents McCloud, Hazdovac and Rose, I began to look for their platform or for specific issues of concern on their part. I found nothing substantial, only two campaign slogans: "Help keep Carmel, Carmel" and "Put the Community Back in Carmel."

Putting up large, garish campaign signs certainly didn't "Help keep Carmel, Carmel." Making personal, derisive comments about the incumbents hasn't "Put the Community Back in Carmel." Just the opposite, I would say. So what were the motives of the Carmel Residents Association slate when the decision to run was made?

The hard truth is the incumbents have worked diligently to achieve some very important goals for the City of Carmel-by-the-Sea. They deserve the opportunity to continue their good work and to tackle some very tough issues on the horizon.

What we need to continue now is common sense and intelligence as demonstrated by the current members of the council who are up for reelection. Don't be fooled by very un-Carmel-like signs, vicious backbiting and a desire for power: Vote for Sue McCloud, Paula Hazdovac and Gerard Rose. They will keep Carmel, Carmel!

Pat Sippel , *Carmel*

Taking away 'freedom of speech'

Dear Editor:

In the past week we have had three election signs stolen

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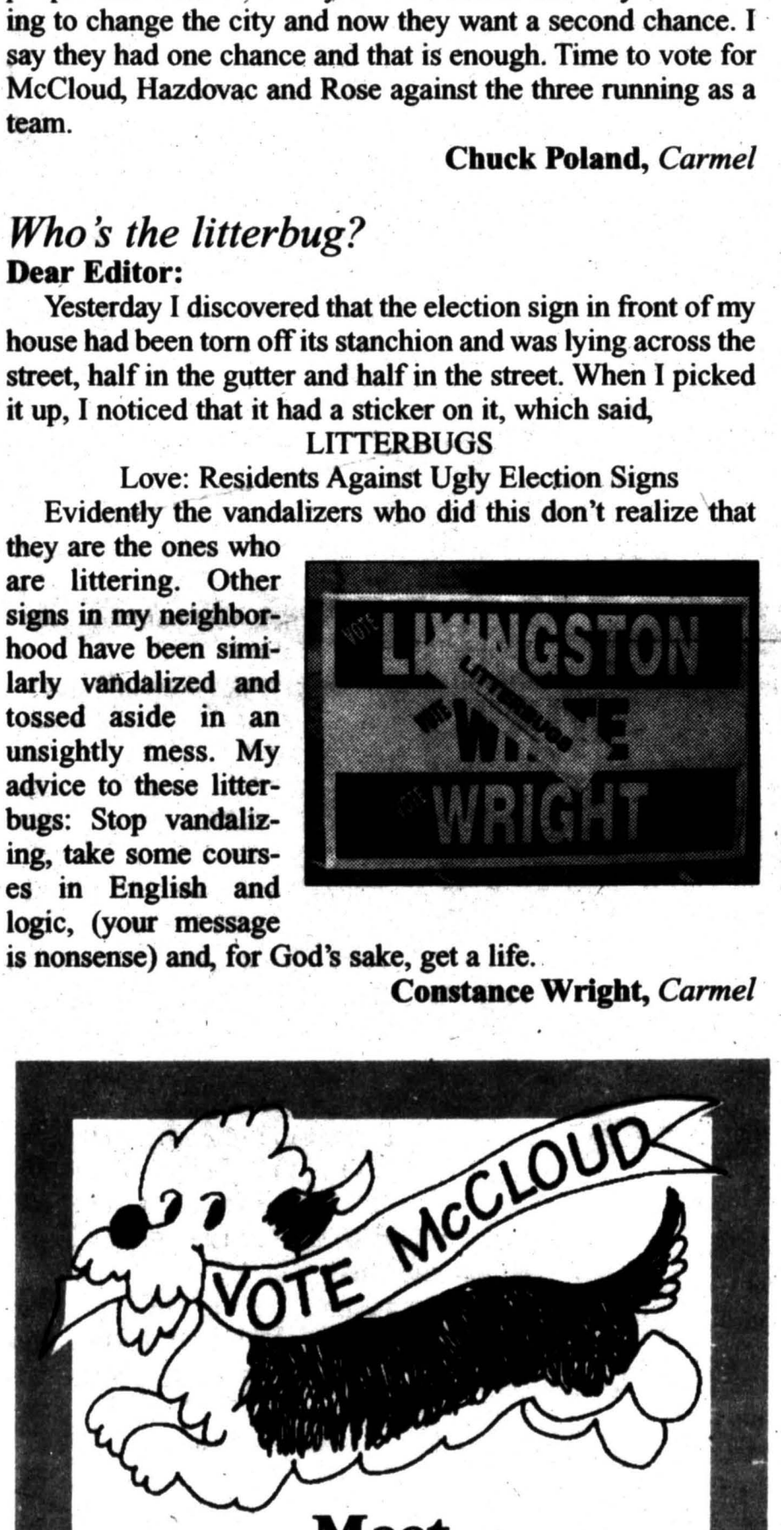

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CHALLENGES MET:

Planning: Initiated first 3-year budget, developed business plan for Sunset Theater, adopted Local Coastal Plan, established Design Review Board.

Open Government: Televised Council meetings, set up City website, placed agendas for all City meetings at Post Office.

Personnel: Hired City Administrator, funded home mail delivery.

Deferred Maintenance: Funded & broke ground for Sunset Theater.

CHALLENGES AHEAD:

- Retrofit or relocate firehouse
- Complete Sunset Theater
- Achieve certification of Local Coastal Plan
- Update General Plan Housing Element
- Ensure City's financial stability
- Implement Reforestation Plan

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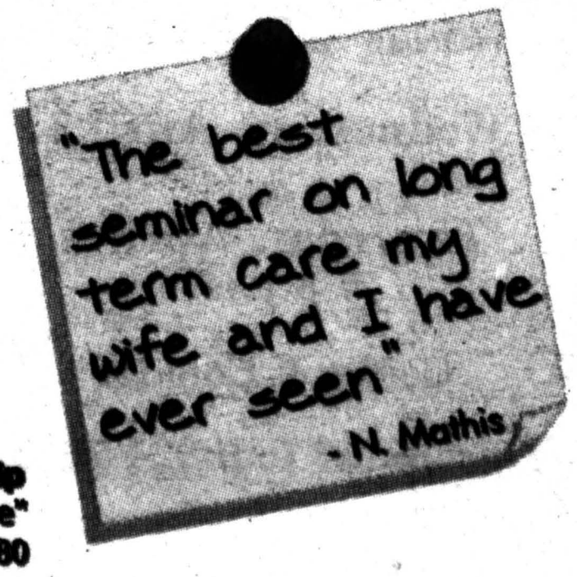

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SECTION B ■ March 29 - April 4, 2002

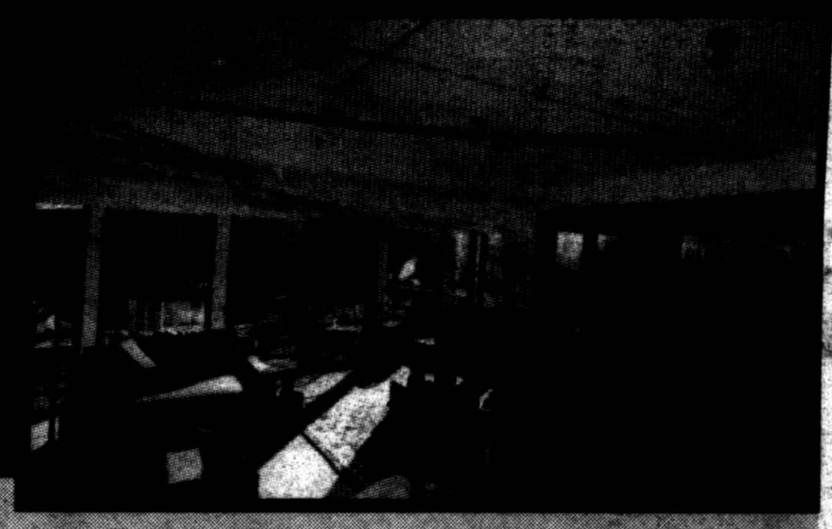
The Carmel Pine Cone

Yes! There are Open Houses this weekend!

Real Estate

■ Top realtor gives advice to buyers in a sellers' market

■ City considers permit extensions



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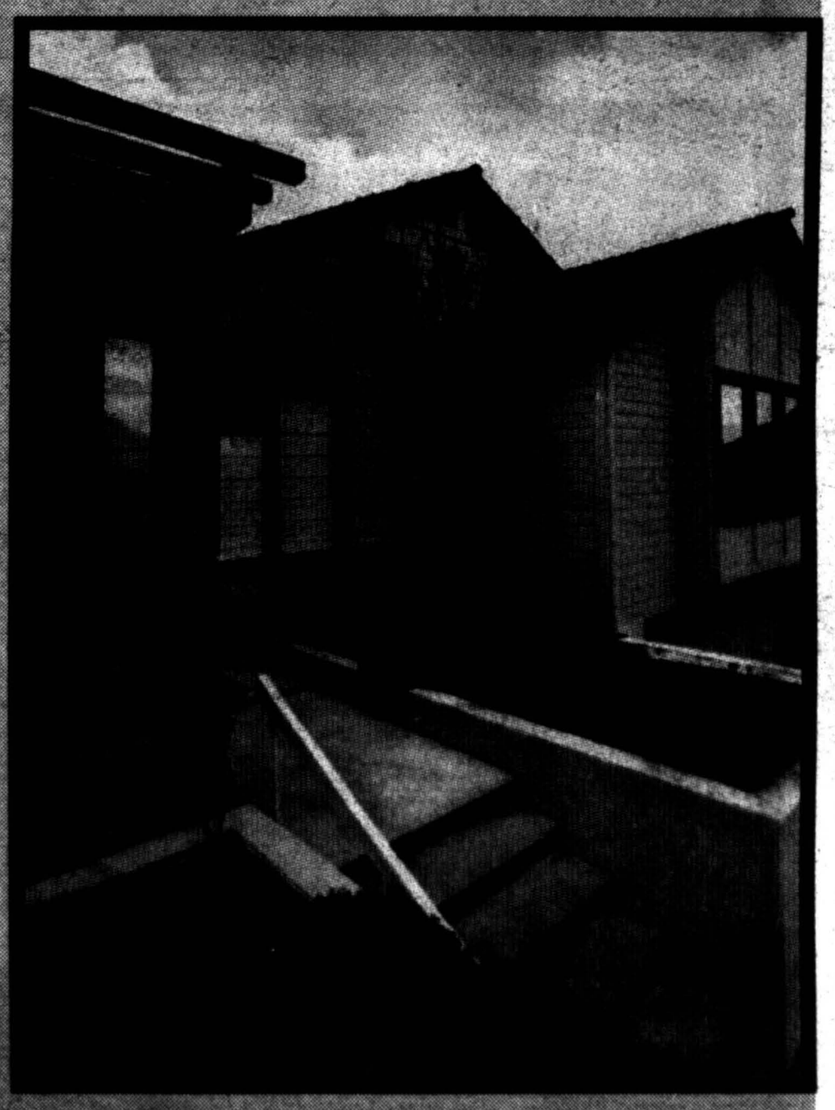
■ **This week's cover home, located in Mid Carmel Valley, is presented by John Saar of John Saar Properties (see page 2)**



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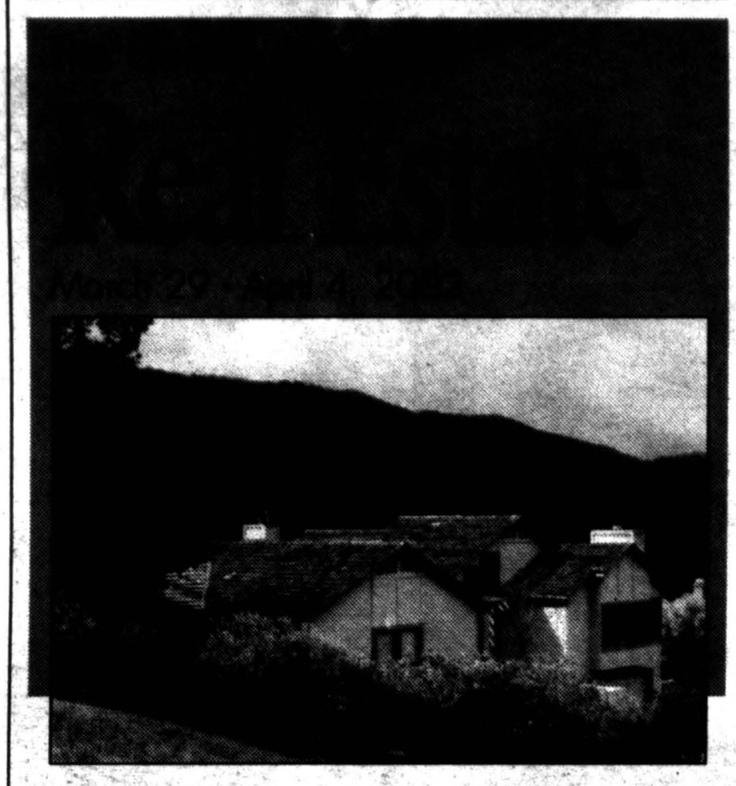

March 29 - April 4, 2002

Open House Saturday 2:30 - 5

13289 Middle Canyon • Carmel Valley

(Cross street is Rancho)

Come see this and another fabulous open house nearby at 13369 Middle Cyn. $1,045,000

Panoramic views from ocean sunsets in the western sky to the snowy peaks of the Santa Lucia Mountains to the east make this architectural 3-bedroom, 2.5 bath designer home feel just right. Experience the perfect blend of sophisticated comfort & dramatic views. The unique rust-colored limestone warms the spacious entry and the ideal family kitchen. The den, formal dining room & living room appreciate the mountains to the east lit up by evening sunsets. There are also views from the office on the lower level and tons of storage. This is a very exclusive security-gated community with only 23 parcels. The enclave also has its own tennis court. $1,295,000.

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25138 Cabrillo Hwy $582,500
Yun Hyang Lee to Farouk S & Susan B Shaikh
25773 Flanders Pl $625,000
Fred J Ost to Marvin W Watts Jr
2691 15th Av $750,000
Richard C Morrall to Norma Prince Miller

CARMEL - SOUTH COAST

Yankee Point Dr $1,153,500
Alex & Spencer Morgan Stackpole to Dean & Rebekah F Witter III
Vacant Land $450,000
Paul H & Eleanor A Ernest to Michael J Martin

CARMEL VALLEY

9942 Holt Rd $1,312,500
G W & Patrice D Gregory to G W & Patrice D Gregory
4135 Cañada Ct $625,000
Cindy M Bonhag to Scott E & Anne M Jasper
28067 Heron Ct $925,000
Catherine Brill to Bruce B & Vicki N Frank
19 Boronda Rd $770,000
William C Duncan III to Gerald W & Andrea Robinson
912-D Carmel Valley Rd $715,000
Thomas J & Karen E Rehak to Charles E & Elaine T Hewett
25640 Tierra Grande Dr $869,000
F David & Cheryl A Brackett to Michael & Laurie Hara

PEBBLE BEACH

62 Spanish Bay Cir $2,250,000
Rick E & Sara K Smith to Boyd Charles & Jill Johnson Smith
1045 Marcheta Ln $3,050,000
Richard L & Betty Jo Ghent to Gary C & Carolyn M Bjorklund

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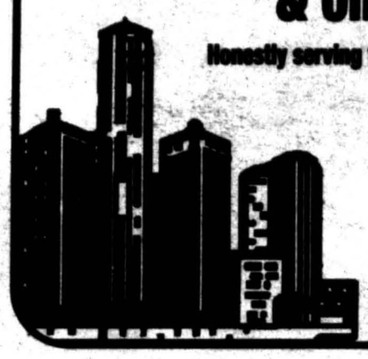

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CARMEL—Light and spacious multi-level four bedroom, three and one half bath home in a great neighborhood — close to everything yet, extremely private. This home is approximately 2,800 sq.ft. and has a separate 480 sq. ft. cozy guest house, two fireplaces, formal and informal dining and large family room. Expansive deck with views of Jack's Peak!
$1,195,000 **624-0136**

PEBBLE BEACH—Just a short stroll to the Lodge, golf, or the Equestrian Center, this property is on two legal lots of record at the end of a cul-de-sac. In addition to this four bedroom, four and one-half bath home, there is a separate guest house, tennis court and swimming pool. All of this is on a flat two-acre parcel with lawn, beautiful oaks and a prolific rose garden.
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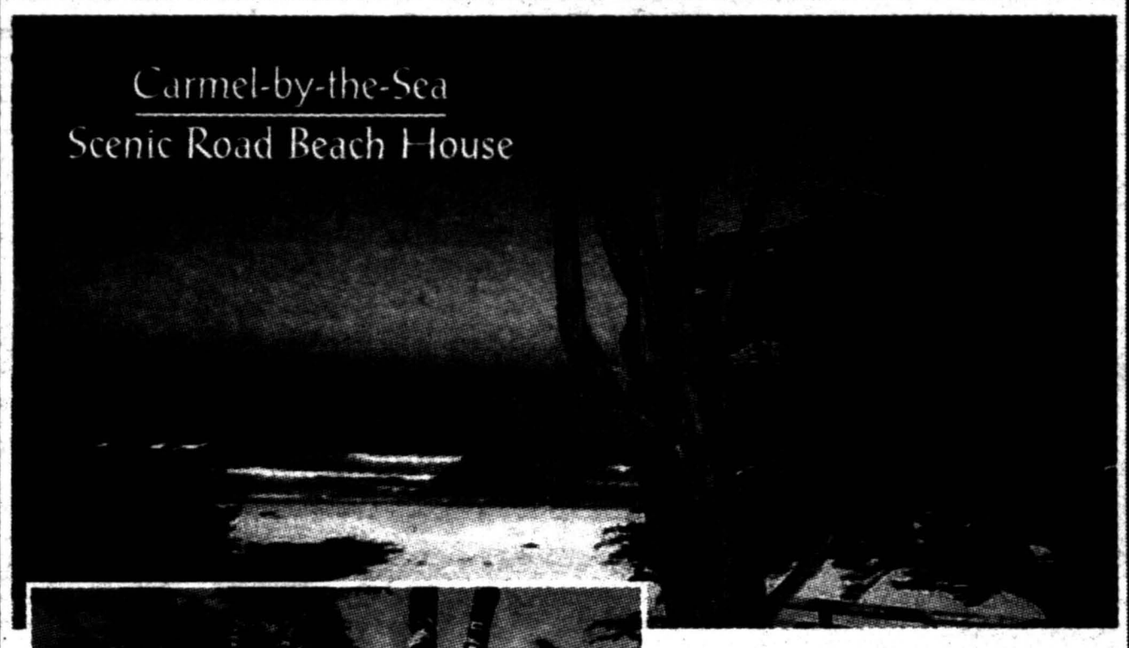


Sweeping ocean views just steps from your front door! First time ever offered. This spacious beach house offers three bedrooms, three and one half baths, living room with fireplae, master suite with fireplace, dining area, family room with wet bar, and loads of storage space. Fabulous rear patio on an oversized double lot with five off-street parking space.

$6,495,000 **624-0136**

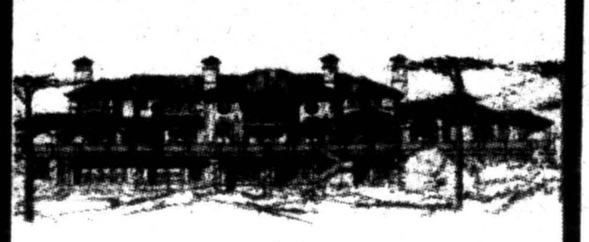
PACIFIC GROVE—Spectacular ocean views from Spanish Bay golf links in Pebble Beach to Cypress Point. Located close to the beachfront, this almost one-half acre property features three bedrooms and three baths. Create your dream home overlooking Spanish Bay, Asilomar, and the Monterey Bay Marine Sanctuary on this spacious lot with extra water credits available.
$2,350,000 **646-2120**

CARMEL—This sophisticated three bedroom, three and one half bath home is thoroughly remodeled with European flair. Mackenzie Childs style master bath and kitchen tile. Fully fenced and thoughtfully landscaped with stone walkways and numerous patios and decks, some with ocean views. Guest house. Large den/office with ocean view decks. This is the best of Carmel style and walk to town/beach location.
$2,795,000 **624-0136**

PEBBLE BEACH—Enjoy unsurpassable ocean and golf course views from this five bedroom, five and one half bath home. This 4200 square foot home is beautifully built with hardwood floors, soaring windows, kitchen with Sub-Zero refrigerator and butcher block island and large master suite. Features include family room with fireplace, an ample wine cellar, a two-car garage plus a golf-cart garage. Motivated seller!
$3,950,000 **624-0136**

MONTEREY/SALINAS HWY—This exceptional 3659 sq. ft. Mediterranean home at Pasadera Country Club has just been completed. Set on .71 acres the home features three bedrooms, three and one half baths, designer kitchen with granite counters and breakfast nook, fireplaces in the living and family rooms and a separate one bedroom, one bath guest house with private entry, and two garages.
$2,750,000 **659-2267**

CARMEL VALLEY—This five acre property features a four bedroom, four and one half bath country farmhouse with a state of the art kitchen, wide plank wooden floors, four fireplaces, and a three car detached garage. Each room has mountain and valley views. In addition to the gracious main residence, there is a separate two bedroom, one bath guesthouse, a freestanding wine cellar, a barn, stalls, tack room and pasture area.
$3,650,000 **659-2267**



PEBBLE BEACH—Panoramic views of the Pacific, Point Lobos, Golf Links and Carmel Bay from this spectacular three acre site in one of Pebble Beach's most sought after locations. The property includes approved plans and permits for a magnificent Mediterranean estate. The estate will include a master suite, three guest suites, caretaker's suite, home theater, library, family room, elevator and extensive terraces capturing the boundless views.
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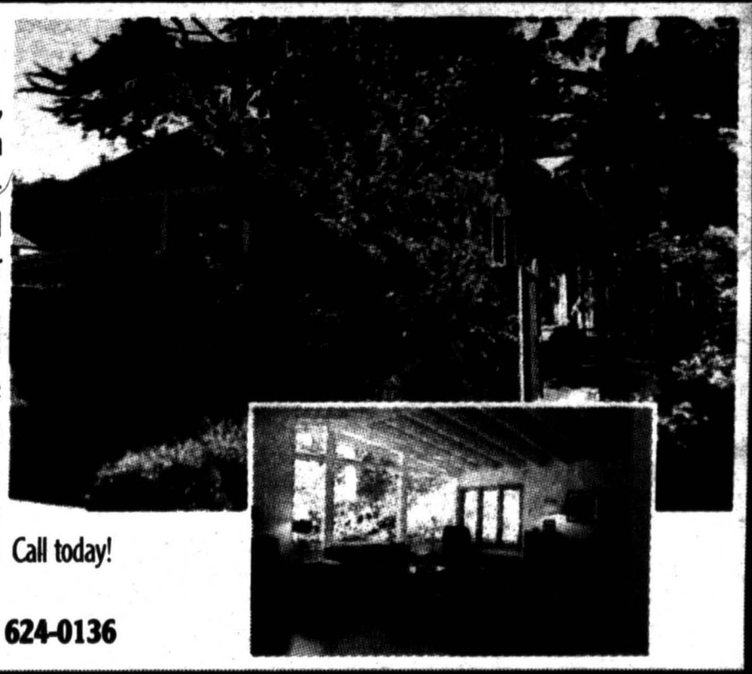
$1,495,000 **624-0136**



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REAL ESTATE

HOW TO BE A SMART BUYER IN A SELLERS' MARKET

By RITA LEWIS
Coldwell Banker Del Monte Realty

STOP ME if you've heard this one before: A red-hot Bay Area real estate market with too many buyers chasing too few homes on the market, dozens of offers for a $650,000 "starter" home, and even sporadic bidding wars breaking out for a $1 million tear-down in that oh-so-fashionable neighborhood.

Déjà vu? Well, yes and no. The local housing market has indeed bounced back from last year's surprisingly brief slump. Sales are up in most areas, and buyers who sat on the sidelines through much of last year are now getting back into the game. But buyers are also a lot more cautious today, sobered by the dot-com fallout and the tech layoffs of the past two years.

While no one will mistake this market for the go-go days of 1999 and 2000 when people were throwing stock-option money at homes like it came out of a Monopoly box, the market has awakened from its slumber of 2001. There again are as many buyers — if not more — as homes to go around. Buyers are taking advantage of low interest rates that they know won't last forever, and they're looking for value in a market where prices softened last year. So as we move closer to the spring buying season, one thing is clear: buyers can expect to face a fair amount of competition once again for the home of their dreams.

Rita Lewis

Having been through the ebbs and flows of the Monterey County real estate market for more than two decades, here's what I would advise those apprehensive buyers who are getting back into the fray: Attack the market with a business-like approach.

Rule #1: Hire the best people you can find — in this case, a smart, aggressive agent. There are a lot of good ones out there, from a lot of different companies. Having the right one can help you in a thousand ways in this uncertain market. A good one will intimately know the market that you're buying into, helping you sort the hidden jewels from the expensive lumps of coal. They'll know what's worth the price and what isn't, when it's worth upping the ante as well as when to fold 'em. Finally, they'll understand the little things that can help you win the competition. Sometimes, it's not just money but whether the sellers feel comfortable with the buyers and trust they'll take good care of the home.

Rule #2: As hard as it is to do, don't let emotion cloud your business judgment. In shopping for a home, you have to keep your options open. Falling in love with just one home in this market is dangerous because the odds are just too

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Things NOT to do when selling a home

Walter Eurich

Planning on selling your home? Here are a few things you should NOT do. Making these mistakes guarantees you'll have difficulties.

Mistake 1. Pricing your home higher than other homes like it in the neighborhood. If you do this, buyers will pass up your house in favor of a house similar to yours—or one that can be made as nice as yours—that's lower in price. Your home may bring a better price than others, but only if it has features other homes don't have.

Mistake 2. Starting with a high price "just to test the market." This hurts your chance for a quick sale. A house gets the most attention when it first comes on the market - because that's when all the people who are already looking for a home will see it.

Mistake 3. Misrepresenting the house or failing to reveal major flaws. This will certainly result in an unpleasant surprise for the buyer—and could be very unpleasant for you, too, if the buyer takes you to court. When selling a house, complete honesty is not just the best policy . . . it's the only policy.

Mistake 4. Failure to make the house look its best both inside and outside before it's put on the market. This can kill a sale or lower the price obtained. The extra time and relatively few dollars spent making the house look better will pay off handsomely.

This is no mistake: Hire a licensed professional to represent you in the sale of your home. Avoid being the victim of the pitfalls encountered by people who try going it alone.

Walter Eurich, GRI, CRS, is an Associate Broker with The Mitchell Group. If you are thinking about buying or selling a home, call Walter at 831-622-4875 to learn all the ways he can help you.

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18301 Corral del Cielo (cross st San Benancio)
3 Bd/2 Ba, contemporary home situated on 23.67 mountain acres. Flat area around/near the house. Horses permited. Make an appointment soon – this one is going to go fast. This home is priced to sell! It can be yours for $895,000

27422 Vista del Toro (off of Corral de Tierra)
3 Bd/ 2 Ba located on a gradual sloping 2.73 acre parcel, great private location, open space for children's play area or for horses. $700,000

284 Corral de Tierra
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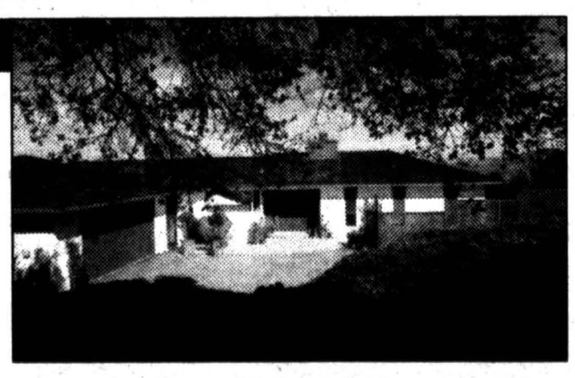

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great that your love will be spurned because another suitor will come in with a better offer. You're in a far better bargaining position if you don't get fixated on a single home, or a single neighborhood for that matter. And by doing this, you're less likely to pay too much because you've "got to have" that charming Victorian with the rose garden.

Rule #3: Make a balance sheet of what you must have in a home and what you're willing to give up. Need four bedrooms, or a pool, or a short commute, or a home in a certain community? Whenever new buyers begin looking at a home, they naturally want all of the above — just not the price tag that such a home would command. Unless you're Bill Gates, buying a home in Monterey County comes down to a process of trade-offs. This list will help take some of the emotion out of the process and help ensure you find the home that has the most of what you're looking for in the price range you can afford.

Rule #4: Stay a step ahead of the competition by being easy to do business with. You can significantly increase your odds of beating the other buyers on a particular home by being fully qualified before you ever look at a home. If a seller gets 10 offers for his home, all relatively close in price, he's likely to take the path of least resistance. That's you if you come into the bidding already pre-approved for a loan and with a credit report in hand, ready to buy. The bottom line is that sometimes it's not just a matter of highest bidder, but who has the highest likelihood of closing the deal.

Rule #5: Focus on the big issues and don't sweat the small stuff. Don't forget that if your offer is accepted, the deal is far from closed. You still have to go through termite and other inspections, formal appraisals, title searches and completion of the loan process. More than occasionally, deals fall through because of needed work turned up during one of the inspections that neither side wants to fund. It's important for buyers to know what's truly important and worth fighting for, and what's not. In a competitive market, is it worth letting a deal fall through because of relatively small repairs? Probably not.

Despite the increased competition, this is still a great time to buy a home in Monterey County. With interest rates at a 40-year low and prices well dampened by last year's recession, all the stars are still in alignment for buyers. But as you wade back into the market, don't forget to use the same skills that help you succeed in the business world. If you do, you'll come out on top.

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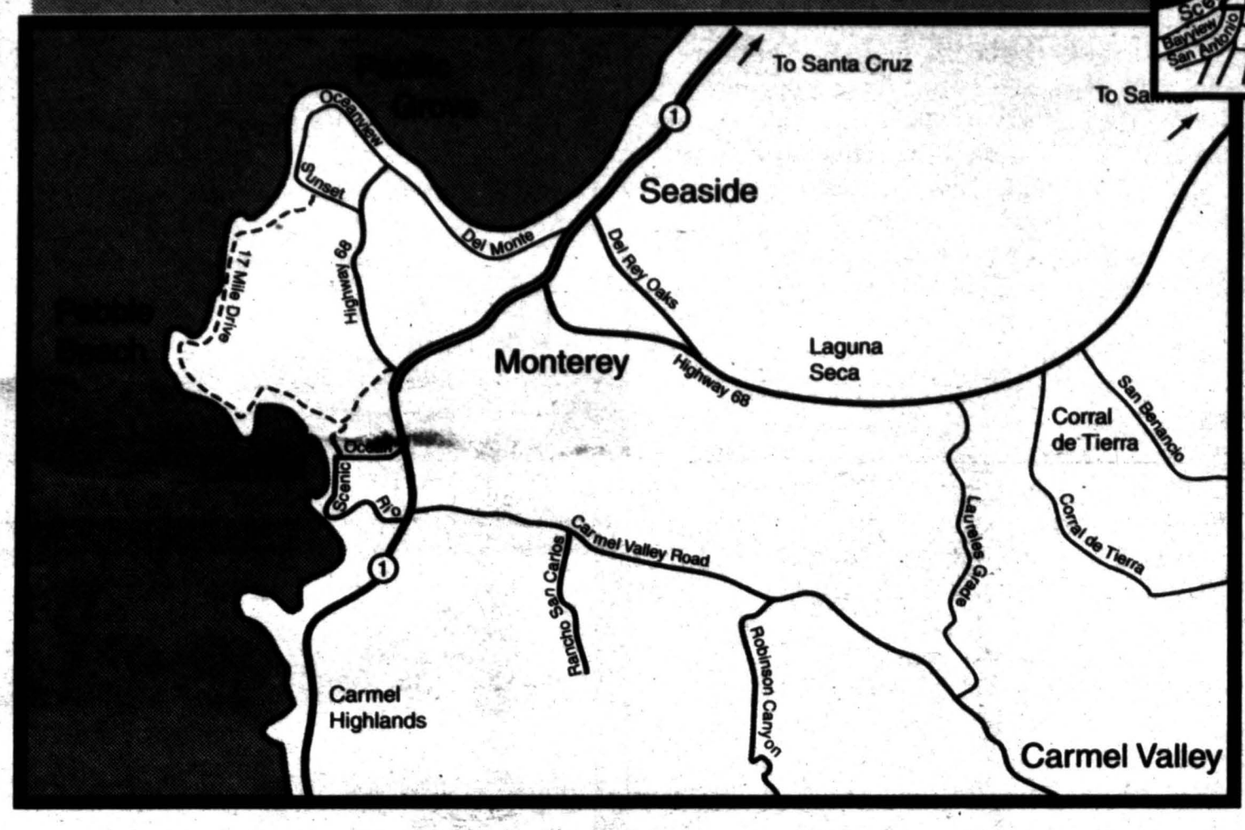

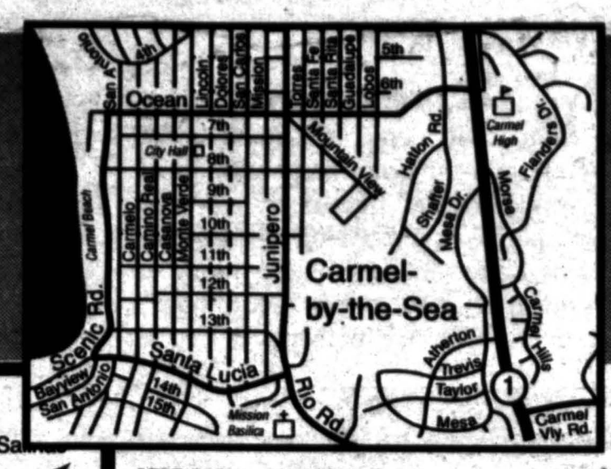

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$550,000 2bd 2.5ba 3850 Rio Rd #21 (rain cancels) Carmel Realty	Sa 1-4 Carmel 624-6482
$727,500 2bd 2ba Santa Rita 3rd SE of Ocean The Mitchell Group	Sa 11-4 Carmel 624-0136
$799,000 2bd 1ba 24439 San Juan Alain Pinel Realtors	Su 1-4 Carmel 622-1040
$859,000 3bd 2ba 5th Ave 3 SE of Perry Newberry The Mitchell Group	Sa 1-3 Carmel 624-0136
$950,000 3bd 3ba Monte Verde & 2nd-up private dr San Carlos Agency	Sa 1-3 Carmel 624-3846
$1,095,000 3bd 2ba NW Cor San Carlos & 9th Burchell House Properties	Sa 1-4 Carmel 624-6461
$1,395,000 3bd 2ba 24304 San Juan Alain Pinel Realtors	Sa 2-5 Carmel 622-1040
$1,449,000 3bd 2ba Guadalupe & 4th SE corner The Mitchell Group	Sa 2-4 Carmel 624-0136
$1,488,000 3bd 2ba Torres 2 SE of 2nd Alain Pinel Realtors	Sa 1-4 Carmel 622-1040
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CARMEL VALLEY

$329,900 2bd 2ba #131 Hacienda Carmel Fouratt-Simmons	Sa 1-3 Carmel Valley 624-3829
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$790,000 3bd 3ba 28002 Oakshire Dr/CV Ranch Carmel Realty	Sa 2-4 Carmel Valley 624-6482
$835,000 4bd 2ba 26044 Rio Vista Dr Prudential Calif Realty Carmel	Sa 2-4 Carmel Valley 277-2395
$915,000 2bd 2ba 46 Del Mesa Dr x Crml Valley Rd Prudential Calif Realty Carmel	Su 1-3 Carmel Valley 277-0445
$1,095,000 3bd 2.5ba 13369 Middle Canyon Rd John Saar Properties	Sa 2:30-5 Carmel Valley 622-7227
$1,190,000 4bd 3ba+gst hs 11627 Hidden Hills Rd Alain Pinel Realtors	Sa 1-4 Carmel Valley 622-1040
$1,295,000 3bd 2.5ba 13289 Middle Canyon Rd John Saar Properties	Sa 2:30-5 Carmel Valley 622-7227
$1,349,000 3bd 3ba 9684 Sycamore Ct Alain Pinel Realtors	Su 11-5 Carmel Valley 622-1040
$2,295,000 4bd 4.5ba 2 Middle Canyon Rd J.G. Stillwagon Real Estate	Su 1-4 Carmel Valley 659-8555

CARMEL HIGHLANDS

$1,550,000 4bd 3ba 138 Carmel Riviera The Mitchell Group	Sa 12-2 Crml Highland 624-0136
$2,195,000 3bd 2.5ba 179 San Remo-Mal paso-signs Carmel Realty	Sa & Su 1-4 Crml Highland 624-6482

MARINA

$379,000 3bd 2ba 3012 Max Circle Alain Pinel Realtors	Sa 1-4 Marina 622-1040

MONTEREY

$229,000 1bd 1ba 500 Glenwood Cir #325 Prudential Calif Realty Carmel	Sa 11-2 Monterey 643-0640
$575,000 3bd 2ba 24 Wellings Place Burchell House Properties	Sa & Su 1-3 Monterey 624-6461
$649,000 2bd 2ba 125 Surf Way #441 Alain Pinel Realtors	Sa 2-5 Monterey 622-1040
$679,000 3bd 2ba 611 Archer Alain Pinel Realtors	Sa 1-4 Monterey 622-1040
$719,000 3bd 2ba 134 Dunecrest x Surf Way Prudential Calif Realty Carmel	Sa 1-4 Monterey 622-3445
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$849,000 3bd 2ba 681 Madison Coldwell Banker Del Monte	Sa 2-4 Monterey 626-2222
$1,090,000 3bd 2.5ba 258 Mar Vista Dr (rain cancels) The Mitchell Group	Sa 1-3 Monterey 624-0136
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$385,000 2bd 2ba 21862 Stonegate Alain Pinel Realtors	Sa 1-4 Mtry/Sins Hwy 622-1040
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$725,000 4bd 3ba 27111 Prestancia Way The Mitchell Group	Sa 2-4 Mtry/Sins Hwy 624-0136
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$1,850,000 4bd 3ba 11623 Spur Rd Coldwell Banker Del Monte	Sa 1-3 Mtry/Sins Hwy 626-2222
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$489,000 3bd 1ba 987 Benito Court The Mitchell Group	Sa 1:30-4:30 Pacific Grove 624-0136
$520,000 3bd 1ba+ 1214 Lincoln Ave Alain Pinel Realtors	Sa 12-4 Pacific Grove 622-1040
$650,000 2bd 2.5ba #71 Glen Lake Dr Fouratt-Simmons	Sa 1-3 Pacific Grove 624-3829
$799,000 4bd 2ba 1001 Forest Ave Coldwell Banker Del Monte	Sa 12-3 Pacific Grove 626-2222
$799,000 3bd 2ba 739 Mermaid Ave Alain Pinel Realtors	Sa 1-4 Pacific Grove 622-1040
$875,000 3bd 2ba 1134 Crest Ave Burchell House Properties	Sa & Su 1-4 Pacific Grove 624-6461
$1,295,000 2bd 2ba 16 Beach Coldwell Banker Del Monte	Sa 1-3:30 Pacific Grove 626-2226
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PEBBLE BEACH

$789,000 2bd2ba 3021 Strawberry Hill Alain Pinel Realtors	Sa & Su 1-4 Pebble Beach 622-1040
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LETTERS

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from our property. I have read about how these signs have been castigated as being "litter" but I cannot remember any previous election in our village when there was such vandalism and self-righteous affront to political signs.

It is fairly obvious what group is behind or condoning these actions but hopefully the voters of Carmel will remember this blatant attempt to take away our freedom of speech when they go to the polls in April.

Joan Gorry, *Carmel*

Back to banning soup?

Dear Editor:

Two years ago when they were running for reelection, Barbara Livingston and Ken White quietly plunked down a hunk of their own cash to publish a political newsletter. "Our Town" at best was pure political slop and at worst a hit piece on the people they were running against. The publication polarized the community and may have cost Ken the election.

Now Ken and Barbara along with Jim Wright are involved in another election controversy. Gleefully exclaiming, "We beat them to the punch," hundreds of their political signs appeared overnight in Carmel, infuriating many citizens. This group tends to do things in excess. They assure us that they will develop a new sense of community, yet historically, while they talk addition they usually create division!

Barbara by herself on the council is harmless, maybe even entertaining. During the campaign she has frequently changed her position to appear more moderate. But don't fool yourself. Put her in the mayor's office along with her running mates and we are back to the days when banning soup in a coffeehouse is considered a major piece of legislation.

On April 9 make the wise choice. Vote for McCloud, Hazdovac, and Rose.

Robert Brulc, *Carmel*

Gestapo?

Dear Editor:

Who initially called the cops on the campaign sign flap before being countermanded? It had to be someone in authority, like the mayor or city administrator, until it backfired. If not them, who? This is a not-so-fine example of Gestapo leadership by city government that we have had these past two years. It is my way, or no way! Enough is enough. Let us take back our city this coming election day. Vote for Barbara Livingston for mayor and Ken White and Jim Wright for city council, Tuesday, April 9, and return us to honest city government!

Allan Paterson, *Carmel*

Mussolini?

Dear Editor:

Don Juan said that to have a happy life one must "choose a path with heart." All those for whom that advice resonates need to know how important it is to elect Barbara Livingston, Ken White and Jim Wright to the Carmel City Council.

Council's behavior over the last two years has vividly shown that Carmel is now at a major fork in the road. As to efficiency, well, Mussolini used to brag that he had made the trains run on time.

E. Pope Coleman, *Carmel*

How to meet the mayor

Dear Editor:

A walk along Scenic Drive is a low-tech, great way to get in touch with Mayor Sue McCloud. Almost every morning and evening, Sue can be seen walking her dog, Bruce, and engaging the residents of Carmel-by-the-Sea and visitors alike.

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VIEWS from Carmel Point

Majestic views of crashing surf, rugged coves and gorgeous sunsets are abundant from this expansive Carmel Point home, which commands a Pacific panorama extending from Pt. Lobos to Pebble Beach. The dramatic architecture has an English flair that creates a charming one-of-a-kind appearance. Each bedroom includes a fireplace, and the wonderful 1 BD guest wing has its own fireplace and full bath.

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LETTERS

From page 7B

If you haven't done so, we recommend a stroll along Scenic at 7 a.m. and/or 5 p.m. to take in the wonders of nature and to chat with Sue. She is a very effective mayor for a variety of reasons, but the one we like the most is her willingness to spend time discussing Carmel and its future.

Please cast your vote on April 9 to re-elect Mayor Sue McCloud.

Ann and Tom McKenna, *Carmel-by-the-Sea*

'Residents have rights'

Dear Editor:

With such an important election on April 9th, it is imperative that the City of Carmel-by-the-Sea be governed by capable and outstanding citizens.

Mayor Sue McCloud, Councilwoman Paula Hazdovac and Councilman Gerard Rose have established a record indicating they are able to balance the rights of individual residents with the good of the city.

They recognize that individual residents have rights; and, the residents' desires should be considered along with the good of the city.

Re-elect Mayor Sue McCloud, Councilwoman Paula Hazdovac and Councilman Gerard Rose.

Silvio and Angele Borello, *Carmel-by-the-Sea*

'Flawed' coastal plan not needed

Dear Editor:

The March 16 front page news item in The Monterey County Herald headlined "County may lose Commission Seat" is a wake-up call to any Carmel resident who is uncertain of how to vote in the coming election.

Mayor McCloud, council members Hazdovac and Rose have been proudly boasting their efforts to rush our local coastal plan to the coastal commission. That LCP hasn't had sufficient public input and facets of it were never reviewed by the city planning commission. Once the Carmel LCP is approved by the coastal commission, we residents will be stuck with its mandates.

It now appears Monterey County will have no representation on the coastal commission, more of a reason for Carmel to pull back and carefully determine the nature of the LCP to be submitted to the coastal commission.

Livingston, White and Wright have been making it clear all along that they want full planning commission input, public input and, in the end, a document we can be proud of and live with. A flawed local coastal plan is the last thing Carmel-by-the-Sea needs if it wants to maintain its individual character.

Mike Brown, *Carmel*

'Vote for incumbents'

Dear Editor:

After working with various city councils during the 22 years I spent on the planning commission I find the present council one of the best we have had. Their rejection of mail boxes in the residential zone prevented a serious threat to its character, whereas the installation of 250 advertising signs by the challengers indicates their disregard of this. I heartily request we do not turn back the clock to the confusion displayed by the previous council. Please vote for the incumbents: McCloud, Hazdovac and Rose.

Fred Keeble, *Carmel*

Wright, briefly

Dear Editor:

Jim Wright = ethics and brilliance. We need him on our council.

Brie Tripp, *Carmel*

Consensus vs. obstruction

Dear Editor:

Naysayers have a certain limited value in politics. Often they force us to review proposals and decisions, guiding us to rethink for the better. Obstructionism, on the other hand, is an insidious villain.

Barbara Livingston's minority and NIMBY-protectionist opinion is not the kind of flawed judgment our city needs presiding in the mayor's chair, representing all of Carmel's residents.

Sue McCloud, Paula Hazdovac and Gerard Rose create and support consensus, moving our carefully-crafted city agenda forward with shared goals and common intelligence. Barbara Livingston, on the other hand, is a constant dragging anchor, choosing obstruction rather than consensus-building as her way of "helping" our city. Too many times we see important council votes end four in favor, one against. Imagine if that one against was the mayoral vote, speaking for us all! We deserve better. We need Sue McCloud.

I attended the recent candidates' forum sponsored by CBA to hear some positive ideas for our future. Livingston/White/Wright had little to do with compelling civic ideas and progress: their greater concern was for obstructing the city agenda. Imagine spending even more time and energy by pulling back the LCP from the Coastal Commission — spending even more time obstructing the final consensus! Does Carmel need even more constrictions on our freedoms, as Livingston & Company so desires?

McCloud/Hazdovac/Rose/Ely have had their pulse on the people, their heads moving in concert with our hearts, and their eyes seeing a better Carmel for us all, businesses and residents together. They've got my vote, and deservedly so.

Doug Weaver, *Carmel*

'Heavy-handed approach'

Dear Editor:

We like Sue McCloud, and we're sure she means well. However, her background of government/CIA (Quick! Call an outside consultant!) and her heavy-handed approach to governing is not the kind of leadership our little village needs.

Let's have a team that coordinates with the citizens. Livingston, White and Wright.

Milt and Sally Williams, *Carmel-by-the Sea*

'Unwarranted' editorial

Dear Editor:

Your March 8 editorial attacking the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District Board of Directors was unwarranted.

The board's decision to end water credit transfers clearly reflects the wishes of a majority of voters on the Monterey Peninsula. Want proof? In the last elections to the board, those who opposed water credit transfers emerged victorious.

Further elections since 1995 demonstrate that Peninsula residents want to preserve and protect Monterey County from environmentally damaging development. When given the opportunity,

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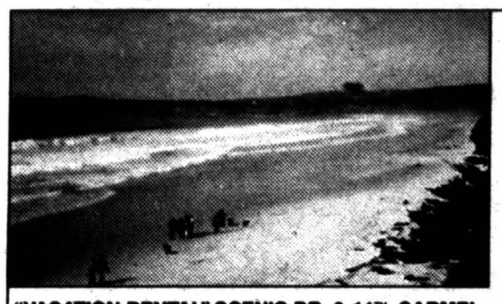

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Peninsula residents voted against the developer's Dam, Rancho San Carlos, and elected representatives who opposed the Hatton Canyon Freeway.

Your editorial ignored the environmental and fairness issues of water transfers. Are there really developers waiting in line to build affordable housing? Experience proved that water credit transfers did not build housing for the havenots but encouraged some of the highest cost housing on the Peninsula. What the water credit transfer policy was supposed to do was to save water. It was a failed policy. Its demise was overdue.

California and federal laws require that changes that affect the Carmel River be subject to environmental review. Two alternative plans now are subject to this review. Until these reviews are complete, the water board can do nothing about our water problems, other than to stop giving away water that we do not have.

Margaret Robbins, *Carmel*

White makes right?

Dear Editor,

It is campaign season for the town government offices — the mayor and others — and I noticed all the red, white and blue signs posted in every other front yard during my last visit through town. We all know that Carmel is white and old (Carmel Pine Cone, June 8), with 3,860 white residents to 18 black residents, but are we to take the political signs around town as some sort of oblique racial innuendo:

WHITE/WRIGHT?

Probably not, but just because I' m paranoid doesn't mean they're NOT out to get me . . . does it?

Walter Hawthorne,
Pacific Grove

POLICE LOG

From page 4A

Carmel Valley: Woman reported her runaway daughter is in the Carmel Valley area.

Big Sur: Man at the Immaculate Heart Hermitage observed a Pacific Grove resident attempt to drive off the cliff. The subject left and then returned five minutes later and drove off the vista point. His car lodged approximately 150 feet below the road. Big Sur Fire, CHP, AMR, USFS, MCSO, CHP Helo and Cal Star responded. Subject rescued and flown to San Jose Medical Center by Cal Star.

Carmel area: Rio Road resident reported someone used her personal information to open a cell phone account.

Carmel area: Ribera Road resident saw a male suspect with short dyed blond hair in her patio. She pounded on her window and scared the prowler away.

Carmel area: Carmel police requested assistance in securing a Lasuen home that had just been burglarized. The suspect(s) fled prior to deputies' arrival.

Carmel area: Dougherty Place resident reported someone

See ***POLICE LOG*** *page 10B*

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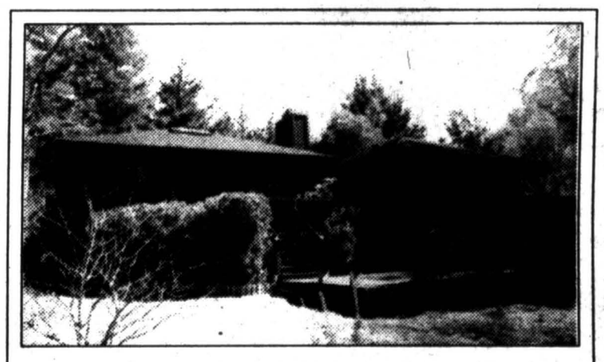

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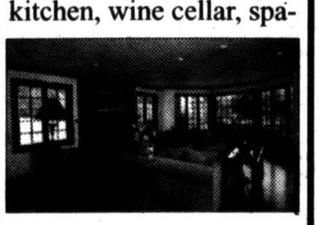

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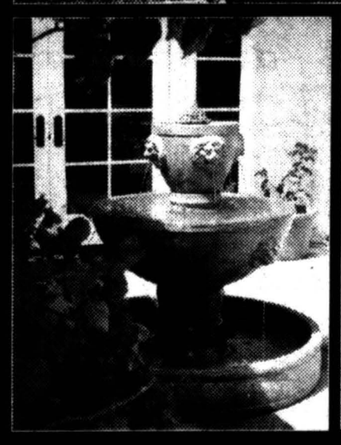

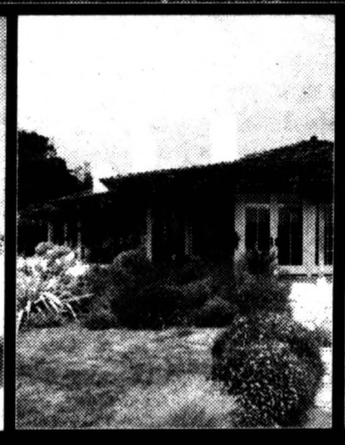

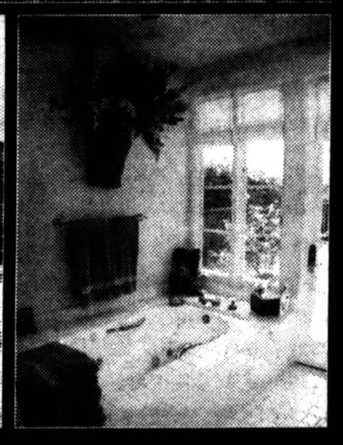

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POLICE LOG

From page 9B

entered the unlocked residence and burglarized his son's room. A Sony Play Station II and related items were stolen.

Carmel area: Flanders Drive resident reported the neighbors' dogs were barking and that all of the lights were on in their home even though they were away.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Two drivers were involved in a misunderstanding that occurred while they were each in their own respective vehicles at the intersection of Carpenter and Serra. One followed the other to the Carmel post office with intentions of asking him to be more aware of his driving habits. Person followed was unsure as to what the other driver's intentions really were and requested CPD to respond. Both parties were contacted by CPD and the situation resolved.

THURSDAY, MARCH 21

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Driver of a 1989 VW traveling southbound on Junipero from 12th increased his speed as he neared a stationery radar unit trailer to see how high the speed readout would get before he passed it. Officer was parked on the west side of Junipero 50 feet north of the radar unit and cited the driver for 47 mph in a 25 mph speed zone.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Woman reported she parked her vehicle in the parking lot for Homescapes, left her purse on the front seat and did not lock the doors. When she returned her purse was missing. She had her wallet, credit cards and identification with her so those weren't stolen. There are no suspects or further information.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Hatton resident contacted and provided information regarding the investigation of the theft of a sign.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Anonymous report of a suspicious male possibly removing items from a house currently undergoing renovation. Contacted subject who is employed by contractor. He was cleaning the site and ending his work day upon arrival. This was confirmed by the building official who spoke to the employer by phone.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report of an alarm activation at city hall. Open door to lower conference room. Check showed no evidence of entry. Building was secure though alarm system could not be reset. Building was given close patrol for the balance of the evening.

Pebble Beach: A 16-year-old male juvenile got his truck stuck in marshy ground about 150 yards east of Congress Road and SFB Morse Drive. The male juvenile was issued a citation for vehicular trespass.

Big Sur: Woman reported someone broke the window on her vehicle while it was parked on Highway 1 near Buck Creek.

Carmel Valley: Esquiline Road resident reported the subcontractor was at the residence taking some of her items. The subcontractor claimed the items were his. Both advised it was a civil matter and to have the issue settled in civil court.

Pebble Beach: El Bosque Drive resident reported a possible problem with her stepmother and a younger man.

Carmel Valley: Woman found walking on Santa Lucia Preserve property. She was escorted off the property without incident.

FRIDAY, MARCH 22

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Subjects at Scenic and Eighth advised of CMC ordinance concerning sleeping in a vehicle. They moved on.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Request for walk through at Lincoln and Ocean because of rowdy patrons. Upon arrival the crowd had quieted down.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Subject recently purchased a residence at Fourth and Carpenter and was in the process of remodeling it. Contacted him for working after hours and he agreed to stop. Advised him to check with general contractor to verify he had obtained the proper permits.

Carmel Valley: Unknown person cut the lock to the gate at a Carmel Valley Road business. Entry was not made and nothing appeared to have been taken.

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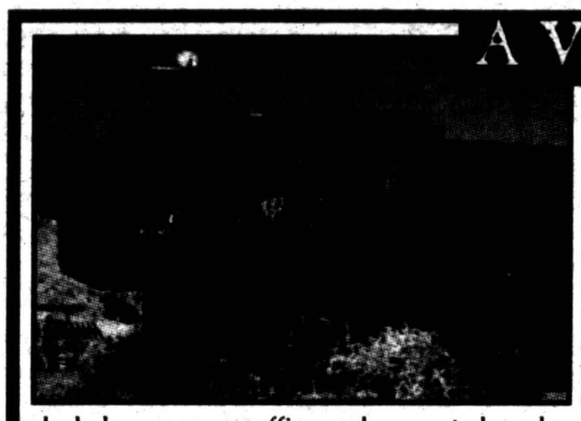

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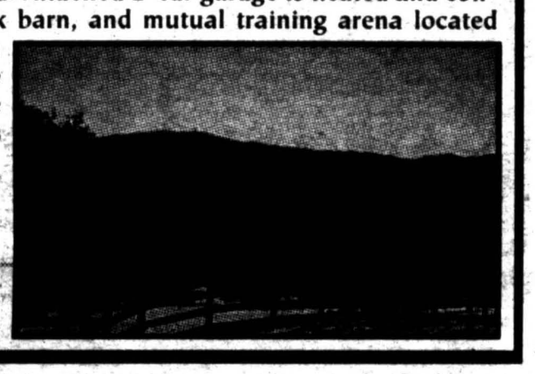

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Carmel Valley: Upper Circle resident reported someone stole his bicycle and leaf blower from the bed of his pickup. The camper shell was not locked.

Carmel area: An anonymous person found a wallet and slid it under the door of the sheriff's department's Crossroads Community Field Office. Stored at the Monterey office to be returned to the owner.

Carmel area: Unknown suspect(s) vandalized a 14th Avenue resident's car with eggs between the dates of 02/24/02 and 02/25/02.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Hatton Road resident returned home with her two children and saw a man in her back yard walking toward the front of her residence and onto Hatton. Her back yard has a trail that leads down to Mission Trail Park. She drove to CPD, reported the incident and an officer followed her back to her residence. Upon arrival, he had left. Residence checked and found secure. She saw him only for a brief time and it appeared he just walked out of the park, but she did not know what his intentions were. His appearance and demeanor frightened her. Contacted subject at Hatton and Mesa. He did not speak English and provided a French passport for identification. Documented his personal information, photographed and released him. He was advised to stay off private property.

Carmel Valley: Robinson Canyon Road resident reported his live-in girlfriend hit him in the head with a set of keys.

Carmel Valley: River Place resident reported she received a threatening letter from an organization soliciting funds. She thought it was threatening because the name of her pets were on the letter. She claimed she never gave them to name.

Carmel area: Mesa Drive resident called to report his neighbor might be suffering from some mental problems. Report forwarded to Adult Protective Services.

SATURDAY, MARCH 23

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report of a male juvenile, brown hair and brown eyes, 140 lbs., wearing orange sweatshirt and carrying a backpack, tried unsuccessfully to buy two 12-packs of Budweiser beer. Station owner noticed the I.D. was not real and questioned the juvenile. The suspect ran out of the gas station, leaving the fake I.D. behind. Station owner chased the suspect but was unable to catch him. I.D. confiscated and destroyed.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Contacted two juveniles at Del Mar for possible curfew violation. They said they were visiting from San Anselmo. Contacted the father, who confirmed he knew the boys were in Carmel and had his permission to be here. Advised all about curfew and the two left to find a hotel.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: While on patrol, contacted a subject walking in Su Vecino Court at 0338 hours. He said he was working late in his studio, which is also located in Su Vecino Court.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report of an injured raccoon in the middle of the street at Mission and Seventh. Unable to locate any injured animal in that location.

Sheri Abramonte

Moving On and Moving In...

Lisa Connally

Moving on... Old Republic Title announced Monday, March 18, 2002 that escrow officer Sheri Abramonte, having been with Old Republic Title since 1981, has accepted a position to head their escrow auditing division.

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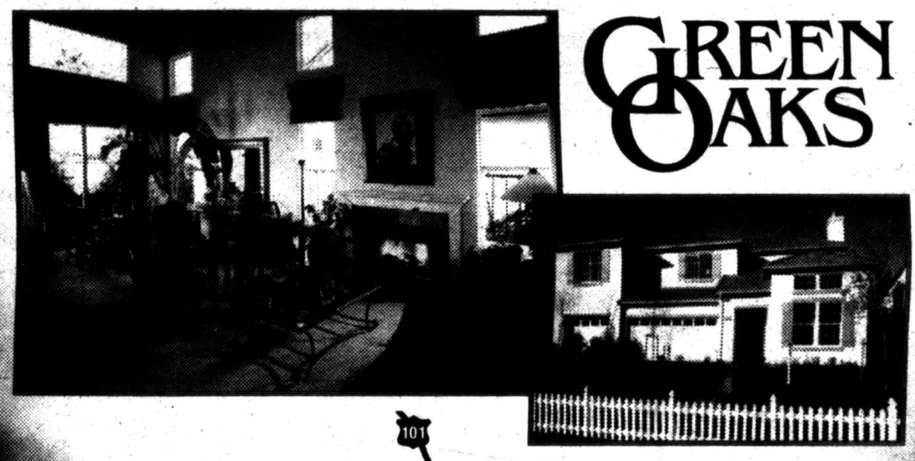

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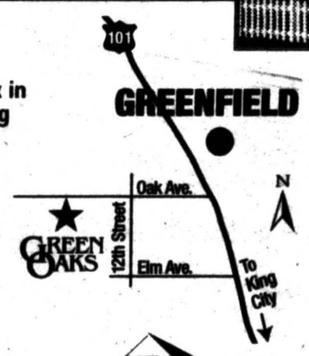

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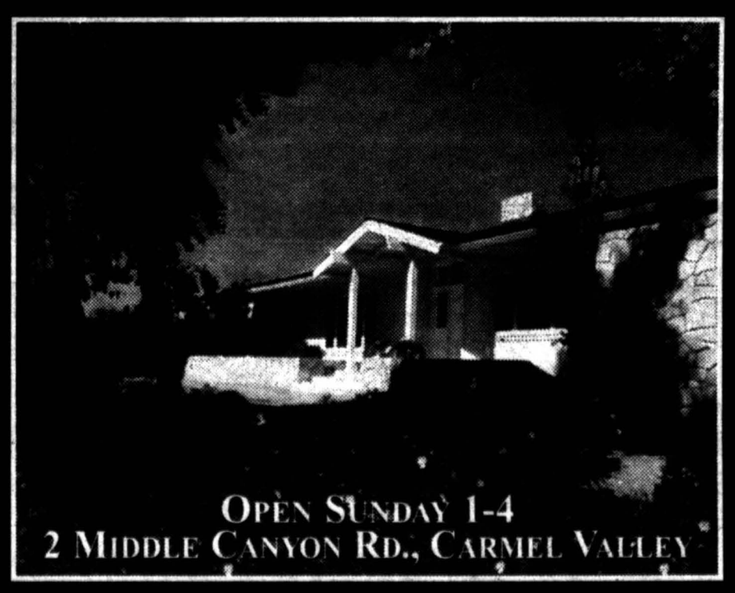
This elegant property conveniently located in Carmel Valley offers 4,500 sq. ft. of living space with numerous amenities including 4 bd. 4.5 ba. 2 of which are his & hers master baths with walk-in closets, large gourmet kitchen with breakfast nook, wine cellar and walk-in pantry, formal living & dining rooms, grand entertaining room with built-in gas BBQ and wet bar, 3 fireplaces, 3-car garage and pool. **Offered at $2,295,000.**



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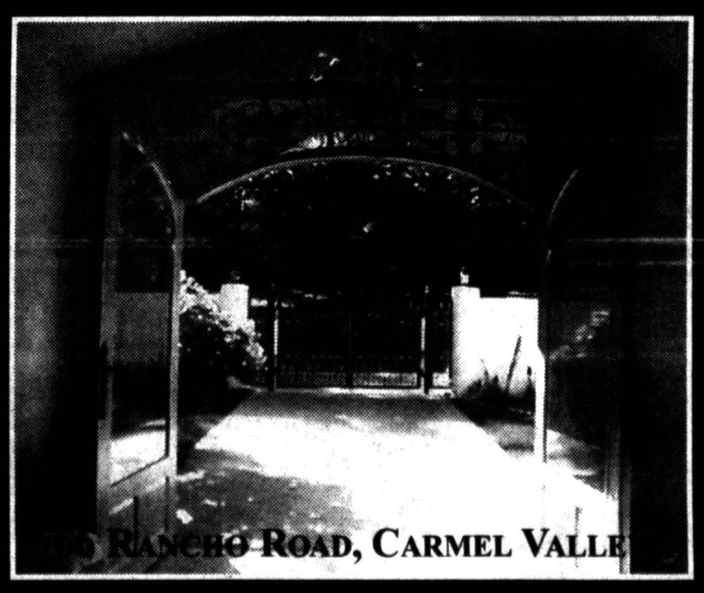
2 MIDDLE CANYON RD., CARMEL VALLEY



5 RANCHO ROAD, CARMEL VALLE

This charming Carmel Valley estate offers 3,005 sq. ft. of living space with 3 bedrooms, 2.5 baths, a spacious formal living room, dining room, family room den and gourmet kitchen. Just under 3 acres, this property is a remarkable find that is difficult to duplicate. Come and partake of your own special piece of paradise. **Price Reduction! $1,395,000**

27 CAMP STEFFANI, CARMEL VALLEY

Won't last long... **lowest price, cute 1,100 sq. ft. Carmel Valley cottage with 2 bedrooms, 1 bath, den, private front garden with hot tub and deck. Offered at $365,000.**

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BAY RIDGE

MOUNTAIN & VALLEY VIEWS! This 4-bedroom, 3-bath newly remodeled residence on one acre blends dramatic views with luxurious living. Vaulted ceilings, two family rooms, separate guest level, media/game room and sun deck. $1,850,000.

CARMEL

ARCHITECTURAL MASTERPIECE! Spectacular south-of-Ocean Avenue contemporary home designed by John Gamble and built by Steve Blalock. High quality, beautifully constructed 2 bedroom, 2-bath home near the Village. $1,149,000.

SERRA COTTAGE! Charming quaint 2-bedroom, 2-bath cottage with an oversized one-car garage is the perfect Carmel hide-away! Cheerful and bright with spacious kitchen, each bedroom with own bath. Patios enhance easy-care landscaping. $659,000.

CARMEL POINT OPPORTUNITY! Plans approved for Michael Bolton designed Carmel Point residence on oversized corner ocean view lot for three bedrooms, 2 baths, 1960 sq. ft. English cottage with 2-car garage. Near beaches, Carmel River & Mission Ranch! $1,895,000.

HIGH IN THE KNOLLS! This bright, sophisticated 3-bedroom, 3-bath home and small studio have views from Point Lobos to Garland Park. Large, open-beam living/family room with windows & doors opening to lovely sunny patio & sparkling pool! $1,695,000.

TRADITIONAL ELEGANCE! Truly a classic home and unique for Carmel. First of all, it's 3780 sq. ft., has 5 bedrooms plus a guest house and is exquisitely remodeled, reflecting the warmth and style of an English traditional home. $3,300,000.

CARMEL HIGHLANDS

OCEAN & SUNSET VIEWS! Located behind the Highlands Inn, just 4 miles south of Carmel, is this fabulously remodeled contemporary. Three bedrooms, 2 baths, office + sitting area & wood-burning fireplace. English garden and ample view deck. $799,000.

CARMEL VALLEY

AWESOME VIEWS & PRIVACY! Un-obstructed views from this charming 2-bedroom, 2-bath home on almost one acre. The superb floor plan places bedrooms at each end of the home. High cathedral wood ceilings in the living room, and ample deck area. $589,500.

QUAIL LODGE LIVING! A grand entry welcomes you to this gracious 3-bedroom, 3-bath home. Features include: two masters suites, formal dining, spacious family room, flexible floor plan, plantation shutters and much more! $1,450,000.

PREMIER FAIRWAY FRONTAGE! Fairway views from this single-story 3-bedroom, 2-1/2-bath home facing the 9th fairway and forest beyond. Contemporary flair, walls of soft-colored wood and walking decks. $995,000.

MONTEREY

ARCHITECTURAL MASTERPIECE! A fabulous 3-bedroom, 2-1/2-bath contemporary on a wooded slope with sweeping views of the city and Monterey Bay. High-low ceilings create areas of coziness versus the open 28-foot ceilings in the library. $949,000.

BAY VIEW BUNGALOW! Nestled in the trees this 3-bedroom, 2-bath home offers bay and city-light views. Cathedral ceilings and open floor plan make this about 1300 sq. ft. home appear much larger. $599,000.

SUNBELT AREA! On a quiet cul-de-sac, this perfect 3-bedroom, 3-bath home overlooks oak & pine greenbelt. Large kitchen, spacious family room, great recreation room & forest-view decks. $1,099,000.

HIGHWAY 68

GOLF COURSE & OCEAN VIEWS! Immaculate 3-bedroom, 2-bath contemporary on 3.2 acres overlooking Pasadera Golf Course and distant bay views. Master suite has spa tub & view deck. Approved plans for addition. Priced under value. $995,000.

CRADLED IN THE SUNBELT! Enjoy the country in city-style comfort in this 3350 sq. ft., 3-bedroom, 2-1/2-bath Mediterranean-style home. Master bedroom with marble fireplace. Spectacular 2-1/2-acre setting with golf course and mountain views. $1,295,000.

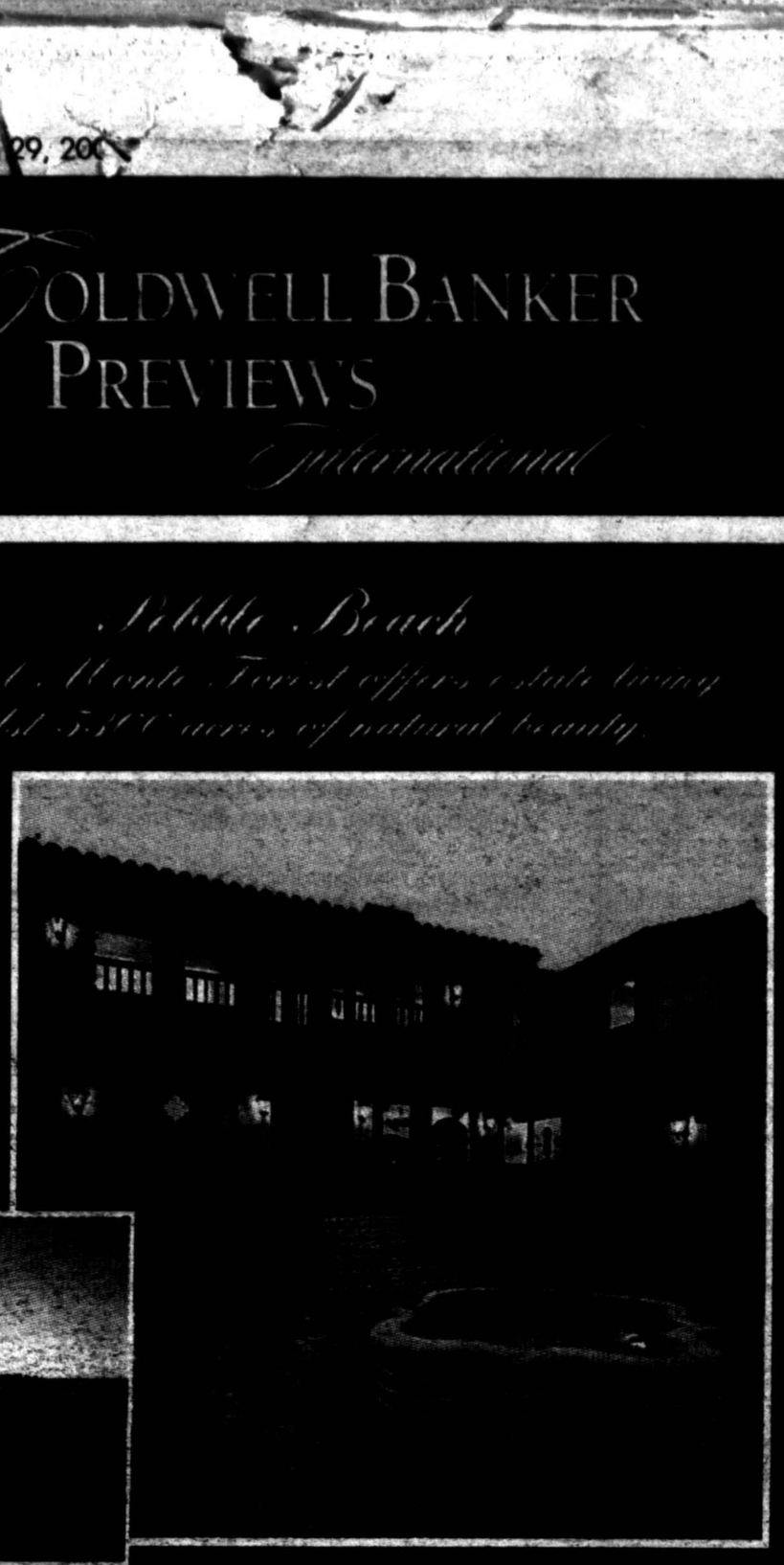
PACIFIC GROVE

ABSOLUTELY BEAUTIFUL REMODEL! Bay views are seen from the living room of this 3-bedroom, 2-bath home. Granite & Corian countertops, hardwood and tile floors, solid-oak doors, new appliances & new plumbing. $645,000.

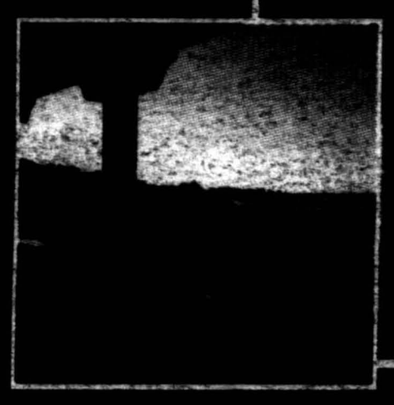
BAY VIEW FROM DECK! Behind this unassuming facade is a 3-bedroom, 4+ bath home of about 3000 sq. ft. Master bedroom with private deck. Above garage & workroom are two offices, library & full bath. $995,000.

Pebble Beach

The Del Monte Forest offers estate living amidst 5,500 acres of natural beauty.



Casa de Palmas



A fabulous Spanish Colonial of some 4500 sq. ft. offering spectacular ocean views from golf frontage on MPCC's Shore Course. Ten-foot ceilings with heavy beams and corbels, floors of Mexican tiles and wrought-iron appointments add to the Old World flavor. Great galleria reception foyer, spacious master bedroom, 2 guest bedrooms and 4-1/2 baths. $1,950,000.

THE ESSENCE OF PACIFIC GROVE! Nestled among pines on an oversized Asilomar lot with peeks of the ocean, this Craftsman inspired home evokes serenity. Sounds of ocean waves lull you to sleep from the 4 bedrooms and detached guest house. $1,350,000.

PEBBLE BEACH

FOREST HIDEAWAY! You'll love coming home to this immaculate retreat, light and airy with vaulted ceilings and an open floor plan. Framed in a private forest setting, the home includes 3 bedrooms, 3 baths, plus a den/study and a lovely garden patio. $779,000.

PEBBLE BEACH PERFECTION! Comfortable open living spaces invite you to relax and enjoy this 3-bedroom, 2-1/2-bath home located near MPCC and just a stroll to the beach. Also an office, large kitchen/family room, and living room with cathedral ceilings. $980,000.

STATELY CAPE COD CLASSIC! Beautiful 3-bedroom, 2-1/2-bath charmer with classic white exterior and black-window shutters. The level nearly 1/2-acre is on a quiet cul-de-sac. Enjoy the park-like setting from spacious, covered real porch. $1,650,000.

MEDITERRANEAN GEM! Walk to the ocean from this quality, custom, remodeled 4-bedroom, 2-bath, home. Boasting marble bathroom counters & French doors leading to terra-cotta paver patio. In a picture-perfect setting! $1,595,000.

CASUAL ELEGANCE! Overlooking the 15th fairway of the Pebble Beach Golf Links is this stunning 3-bedroom, 4-bath 17-Mile Drive residence. High ceilings, French doors, sun room, and landscaped grounds. $3,495,000.

BEST VALUE IN COVETED ESTATE AREA! On .62 acres, this split-level home has been beautifully updated and impeccably maintained. At 2400 sq. ft, with 3 bedrooms, 2 baths and spacious family room with casual dining nook & cozy fireplace. $1,695,000.

OCEAN VIEW CONDO! Overlooking 7 golf courses and 6 miles of oceanfront is a very special residence. It consists of two units which were merged to form a spacious 3-bedroom, 2-bath condominium. $995,000.

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